

# *BIG-C*

## *Barrier Islands Governmental Council*

*Belleair Beach*

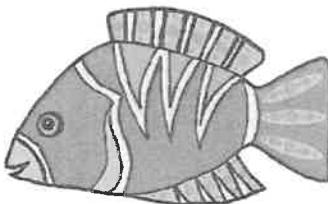
*Belleair Shore*

*Clearwater*

*Indian Rocks Beach*

*Indian Shores*

*Madeira Beach*



*North Redington Beach*

*Redington Beach*

*Redington Shores*

*St. Pete Beach*

*Treasure Island*

### **Town of Redington Beach BIG C Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m.**

**Hampton Inn & Suites Clearwater Beach, 635 S Gulfview Blvd., Clearwater, FL 33767**

**1. The meeting was called to order by President David Will at 9:00 A.M. on September 24, 2025, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**2. Roll Call**

**BIG C Representatives:**

Mayor David Will, Redington Beach - President

Mayor Steve Blume, Belleair Shore

Mayor Bruce Rector, Clearwater

Mayor Denise Houseberg, Indian Rocks Beach

Mayor Diantha Schear, Indian Shores

Mayor Ann-Marie Brooks, Madeira Beach - Treasurer

Vice-Mayor Karen Marriott, St. Pete Beach

Mayor John Doctor, Treasure Island

Mayor Jay Super, North Redington Beach

**Absent:**

Mayor Dave Gattis, Belleair Beach - Vice President,

Mayor Tom Kapper, Redington Shores

**Also Present:**

Commissioner CJ White – Redington Shores

Charlie Justice – Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce

Commissioner Eddie McGinn, Madeira Beach

Amy Lockhart, Finance and HR Director - Indian Shores

Vice Mayor Janet Wilson - Indian Rocks Beach

Kathy Thornsberry, City Clerk – Belleair Beach

Jerry Sacca, Director – Sand Key Civic Association

Councilman Nicholas Menchise – Indian Shores

Vice Mayor Ellen Bauer – Indian Shores

Jeff Preising, Police and Emergency Services Manager, Indian Shores

Captain Danny Doherty – Indian Shores Police Department

Adriana Nieves, Town Clerk – Redington Beach

Margaret Carey, Town Manager – Redington Shores

Deputy Chief Todd Best – Pinellas Suncoast Fire

Carla Bolling – Indian Shores, Resident

Commissioner Doug Harr – Redington Shores

Kachine Evans – Rep. Kim Berfield's Office, District Aide

Rosemarie Call, City Clerk – Clearwater

### **3. Changes to the Agenda and Approval**

**Mayor Schear moved to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

### **4. Approval of Minutes**

**Treasurer Brooks moved to approve the August 27, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

### **5. Approval of the August 2025 Treasurer's Report**

*Treasurer Brooks stated there was no financial activity to report. From August 1, 2025 through August 31, 2025, the balance remained at \$842.24.*

**Vice Mayor Marriott moved to approve the August 2025 Treasurer's Report. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

### **6. Correspondence – None.**

### **7. New Business – None.**

### **8. Old Business – None.**

### **9. Discussion Items**

*President Will requested a roundtable discussion on the lessons learned from last year's hurricane events and items identified for future implementation.*

*Discussion ensued with comments made that many municipalities had issues with relocating collected debris, that providing pop-up permit review services were very helpful to residents, that municipalities seeking county assistance with debris collection was not possible because Pinellas County was also in the same position, that many experienced delays with obtaining the substantial damage letters, that debris collected from condominiums was classified commercial and would not be reimbursable in the future, that a resident volunteer program was a helpful resource for permits and other areas, and that many stormwater systems had pump and lift stations located below the flood level and not enough back-up generators. It was stated that future efforts would include: educating residents on the 50% rule, hiring temporary employees to make one-on-one contact with residents after the storm, implementing a text message platform to directly communicate with the community, having additional resources on standby to facilitate the recovery phase, working with FEMA to improve the valuation of structures prior to an incident, and training residents to be permit technicians.*

*In response to questions, Indian Shores Finance Director Amy Lockhart said the cost associated with waiving the permit fees related to hurricane damage repairs was absorbed through the fund balance in the building department. Treasure Island Mayor Doctor said the cost associated with waiving permit fees was absorbed via a loan through the general fund. St. Pete Beach Vice Mayor Marriott said the waiving of permit fees came out of reserves.*

*It was stated that Pinellas County will open their disaster recovery grant program in October; residents are encouraged to visit recover.pinellas.gov, or text "RECOVER" to 88877, for more information.*

*Belleair Shore Mayor Blume explained his municipality is experiencing a problem with sportfishing charter boats and shark fishing. He said he was seeking feedback from members regarding how their municipality addresses the issue.*

*Discussion ensued with comments made that it would be difficult to enforce past the swim zone and that the Town of Redington Shores has an ordinance addressing shark fishing and chumming.*

**10. Legislative Update – None.**

**11. City Events**

*Representatives reviewed upcoming community events.*

**12. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.*

Minutes Prepared by: Rosemarie Call, MPA, MMC  
City Clerk, City of Clearwater

Date Approved: Oct. 29, 2025

ATTEST:

Adriana Nieves

Adriana Nieves, Town Clerk  
Town of Redington Beach

APPROVED:

David Will

David Will  
Barrier Islands Governmental Council President  
Mayor of the Town of Redington Beach