

*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*

**MEETING**

Wednesday, June 26, 2019  
City of St. Pete Beach  
Community Center  
7701 Boca Ciega Drive  
St. Pete Beach, FL  
9:00 a.m.

The BIG C meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick Soranno, President, at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at the City of St. Pete Beach Community Center, 7701 Boca Ciega Drive, St. Pete Beach, FL.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Soranno.

2. Roll Call. (from the sign-in sheet)

**Big C Representatives:**

Belleair Beach  
Clearwater  
Indian Rocks Beach  
Indian Shores  
Madeira Beach  
N. Redington Beach  
Redington Beach  
Redington Shores  
Belleair Shore  
St. Pete Beach  
Treasure Island

Mayor Joseph Manzo  
Mayor George Cretekos  
Mayor Cookie Kennedy  
Mayor Pat Soranno  
Mayor Maggi Black  
Mayor Bill Queen  
Mayor Nick Simons  
Mayor MaryBeth Henderson  
Mayor Bob Schmidt  
Mayor Alan Johnson  
Mayor Larry Lunn

**Guest Speaker:**

Pinellas County Director of Emergency Management, Catherine Perkins

**Guests:**

Clearwater Regional Chamber of Commerce  
Pinellas County Coastal Resources  
Pinellas County Coastal Resources  
Indian Shores  
Indian Shores  
Indian Shores  
Redington Shores  
St. Pete Beach  
Waterfront Realty  
Waterfront Realty  
Waterfront Realty  
Waterfront Realty  
Tampa Bay Beaches CC  
Pinellas County  
Pennoni Associates  
Sand Key Civic Association  
Treasure Island/Madeira Beach CC  
Florida Senate  
Florida Senate  
Madeira Beach  
Forward Pinellas  
EXP  
EXP  
Forward Pinellas  
Belleair Beach  
Florida Dept. of Transportation  
Madeira Beach  
Beach Beacon  
Pinellas County  
Belleair Beach  
Indian Shores  
Florida Conservation Voters  
Belleair Shore  
DRMP  
PSTA  
Beach Newsletters  
Duke Energy  
TBRPC  
St. Pete Beach  
St. Pete Beach  
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St. Pete Beach

Darryl Henderson  
John Bishop  
Andy Squires  
Mike Hackerson, Councilor  
Bill Smith, Councilor  
Diantha Schear, Vice Mayor  
Michael Robinson, Commissioner  
Terri Finnerty, Vice Mayor  
Chris Kelly  
Gina Johnson  
Tim Johnson  
Christian Smith  
Doug Izzo  
Brent Hall, Section Manager  
Brian Diehl, Engineer  
Susan MacLeod  
Missy Hahn, President  
Jeff Brandes, Senator  
Melissa Meshil, Legislative Assistant  
Curt Preisser, PIO  
Brett Burks, Planner  
Mike Leis, Project Manager  
Brian Ardman, Project Manager  
Sandra Knoebel, Planner  
Marco Biehn, City Council  
Bob Esposito, Govt. Affairs Liaison  
Nancy Hodges, Vice Mayor  
Brian Goff, Reporter  
Brian Lowack  
June Van Scoyoc  
Bonnie Dhonau, Town Administrator  
Lindsay Cross  
Barb Colluci, Town Clerk  
Brian Crowl  
Bonnie Epstein, Senior Planner  
Bob Griffin  
Jeff Baker  
Wren Krahl, Director  
Rebecca Haynes, City Clerk  
Keri Ferenc-Nelson, Administrative Assistant  
Ginny Keeter-Bodkin, Deputy City Clerk  
Mike Clarke, Public Works Director  
Evan Frayman  
Leslie Notaro  
Kelly Cisarik

3. Approval of Agenda.

Moved by Mayor Al Johnson and seconded by Mayor MaryBeth Henderson to approve the agenda. The voice vote was unanimous.

4. Approval of May 30 2018, BIG C Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Mayor Al Johnson and seconded by Mayor Nick Simons to approve the May 29, 2019, minutes. The voice vote was unanimous.

5. Approval of the May 2019, Treasurer's Report.

Mayor Al Johnson moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; the motion was seconded by Mayor Larry Lunn. The voice vote was unanimous.

6. Correspondence

- There was no correspondence.

7. New Business

Cathie Perkins, Director of Pinellas County Emergency Management gave a presentation on Hurricane Preparedness. Ms. Perkins stressed that the barrier islands are the first areas evacuated in storm emergencies due to storm surge and winds. Her presentation included other cautions and valuable information:

- Stay put after storms due to risk of flooding
- Up to 2/3 of the population may need to evacuate
- Storm surge is the #1 killer
- Have a plan in place
- Download the Ready Pinellas App
- Stay connected with Alert Pinellas
- Get involved – prepare home and workplace and volunteer
- No two storms are the same; take nothing for granted

A Q&A period followed. Ms. Perkins stated that a FEMA class for Elected Officials is being scheduled.

8. Old Business

Penny for Pinellas IV Joint Review Committee Representative Jonathan Evans will be leaving Madeira Beach on July 9<sup>th</sup> and a new representative will be needed. Volunteer candidates should express interest for the next meeting.

John Bishop and Andy Squires of Pinellas Coastal Resources gave an update on beach community easement projects. A mass mailing was sent to Redington Beach residents and mailing will continue to the North in "bite size pieces". Discussion followed on beach renourishment projects. There are some extensions of previous projects through 2025-2030.

9. Miscellaneous

Brian Lowack of Pinellas County Intergovernmental Relations gave an update on the Gulf Boulevard underground utilities project. There will be further communication by the end of July.

10. Legislative Update

Mr. Jeff Brandes, Senator, 24<sup>th</sup> District, spoke in regard to the recent Legislative Session highlights including education in Florida, Assignment of Benefits claims, road expansion projects, beach renourishment, increased tourism, transportation innovation focusing on the expanded use of electric vehicles and Red Tide funding.

11. City Events

Council members shared upcoming events in their respective cities.

12. Adjourn

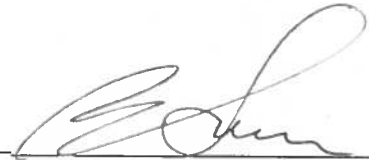
The meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM. The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 31, 2019, at 9:00 AM, hosted by the Town of Belleair Shore, at the City of Belleair Beach Community Center, 444 Causeway Boulevard, Belleair Beach, FL.

Minutes Prepared by:  
Ginny Keeter-Bodkin, Deputy City Clerk  
City of St. Pete Beach, FL

July 31, 2019

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Date Approved

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Patrick C. Soranno, President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Freddie Lozano, City Clerk