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

The BIG C meeting was called to order by President, Mayor David Will at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 26th, 2025 at the Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Dr, Madeira Beach, FL 33708.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Will.

2. Roll Call

Big C Representatives

Mayor David Will
Mayor Denise Houseberg
Mayor Dave Gattis
Mayor Diantha Schear
Mayor Anne-Marie Brooks
Mayor Jay Super
Mayor Bruce Rector

Guests

Clint Belk Megan Powers Mike McGothlin Barry Rubin Heather Davidson Charlie Justice Renee Rose Tina Porter Sam Jenkins Daniel Glenn Ashley Jovanetti Mike Howard Fred Irwin Christy Herrick CJ Hoyt Carla Bowling

Town of Redington Beach
City of Indian Rocks Beach
City of Belleair Beach
Town of Indian Shores
City of Madeira Beach
Town of North Redington Beach
City of Clearwater

Fire Chief, Madeira Beach
Madeira Beach, Assistant to City Manager
Town Administrator – Redington Shores
CEO- Pinellas Beaches Chamber of Commerce
Pinellas Beaches Chamber of Commerce
Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce
City Clerk, Belleair Beach
Town Administrator, Indian Shores
ISPS, SPC
Clearvision Media
Pinellas County Communications
Councilor, Indian Shores
Sand Key Civic Association
Resident, Redington Shores
Commissioner, Redington Shores

Resident, Indian Shores

Simon Aimsbury Rick Nagrebski Christopher Holland Megan Blanchard John Messmore Adriana Nieves Alome Homes
Commissioner, North Redington Beach
Resident, Pass-A-Grille
Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
Resident, North Redington Beach
Redington Beach, Town Clerk

3. Changes to Agenda and Approval

Mayor Gattis made a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Houseberg seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes of North Redington Beach February 26th, 2025 Meeting

Mayor Gattis made a motion to approve the February minutes. Mayor Brooks seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Approval of February 2025 Treasurer's Report

Mayor Gattis reported the current balance of \$1039.19. Mayor Rector made a motion to approve the treasurers report. The motion was seconded by Mayor Houseberg. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

7. New Business

Discussion of Treasurer/Secretary position

The position is vacant after the resignation of Mayor Lisa Hendrickson. Mayor Gattis nominated Mayor Ann-Marie Brooks to fill the vacancy. Mayor Houseberg seconded the motion. Ann-Marie Brooks accepted the nomination, and the motion approved unanimously.

8. Discussion Items

Mayor Will reported that after the recent hurricanes, several meetings were held with state representatives, FEMA and FDEM directors and community leaders to discuss the problems local governments were facing with permitting and recovery. Adriana Nieves reported on a meeting she had attended with Representative Anna Paulina Luna's Chief of Staff, Bill Christian. They discussed the issues with the permitting process and the cumbersome CRS program. Ann-Marie Brooks attended a meeting coordinated by Representative Anna Paulina Luna, with FEMA director Hamilton, and FDEM director Kevin Guthrie. She was disappointed that only 2 other elected officials attended. She reported that the directors listened to the problems she described that her city faced. She mentioned that FEMA was working on a new computer system to give local officials easier access to FEMA's database. She reported that FDEM Director Guthrie recognized the insurance issue and encouraged participation in the local LMS group. Mayor Brooks encouraged other mayors to reach out to Representative Luna.

Mayor Rector also attended the meeting and reported that Clearwater has spent almost 70 million dollars in recovery to date. He noted that most will be reimbursed by FEMA but a lot of the cost was due to the bureaucracy and unnecessary. Mayor Rector reported that FEMA needs to try harder to make their processes more streamlined and citizen-friendly.

Mayor Houseberg remarked that FEMA's literature is hard to understand and requested they make their handouts, etc. easier to understand.

9. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

10. Legislative Update

Mayor Will reported that the legislative session was underway and noted that several proposed bills will impact our communities. Mayor Gattis reported on his recent trip to Tallahassee and the bills that may affect land use, housing and construction and the trend of eroding home-rule. Mayor Gattis read a summary of bills.

Mayor Will explained what preemption bills are and how local governments should be part of the discussion. He encouraged the other mayors to get more residents involved in the discussion as well.

11. City Events

Indian Rocks Beach - Easter Egg hunt April 19th / Taste of Indian Rocks Beach April 26th

Indian Shores - Clearwater Marine Aquarium hosts a turtle-lighting workshop for Code Enf. April 23rd.

Madeira Beach - Fish Fry and John's Pass Seafood Festival - March 28th

North Redington Beach - No events

Redington Beach - Santa's Angels hosts Havana Nights April 5th

Belleair Beach - No events

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 30th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Hosted by City of Madeira Beach at Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Dr, Madeira Beach, FL 33708.

Minutes Prepared by:	Adriana Nieves
	Town Clerk, Town of Redington Beach, FL
Date Approved:	4/30/25
ATTEST:	APPROVED:

Adriana Nieves, CMC, CFM Town of Redington Beach David Will

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