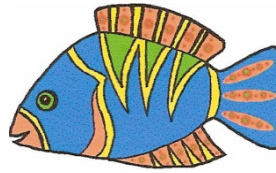


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Barrier Islands Governmental Council

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Belleair Shore
Clearwater
Indian Rocks Beach
Indian Shores
Madeira Beach*



*North Redington Beach
Redington Beach
Redington Shores
St. Pete Beach
Treasure Island*

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 25, 2019, 9:00AM

City of Indian Rocks Beach

Civic Auditorium

1507 Bay Palm Blvd., Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785

1. CALL TO ORDER

Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG-C) President Patrick Soranno called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Indian Rocks Beach Civic Auditorium, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

[To provide continuity for research, items are in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.]

2. ROLL CALL.

Present:	Belleair Beach	Joseph A. Manzo
	Belleair Shore	Mayor Robert E. Schmidt, Jr.
	Clearwater Mayor	George N. Cretekos
	Indian Rocks Beach	Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy
	Indian Shores	Patrick Soranno
	Madeira Beach	Maggi Black
	North Redington Beach	Bill Queen
	Redington Beach	Nick Simons
	Redington Shores	MaryBeth Henderson
	St. Pete Beach	Alan Johnson
	Treasure Island	Lawrence Lunn

Guest Speakers:

Verizon Wireless	Miguel Rosario, Business Account Manager-Government.
Forward Pinellas	Sandra Knoebel, Planner

Also Present: (According to the Sign-In Sheet.)

Belleair Shore	Barbara Colucci, Town Clerk/Treasurer
Belleair Beach	Sheryl Grey, resident
Belleair Beach	Rick Colucci, resident
Belleair Beach	Wanda Schwere, resident
Belleair Beach	June VanScoyoc, Resident
Clearwater Chamber	Kristina Alspaw, Vice President of Tourism

CPWG	Jason McDarby, Undergrounding Division
Duke	Leanne Haely
Florida House	Jessica Lewis, Legislative Aide/Representative Webb
Florida Senate	Melissa Meshil, Legislative Aide/Senator Brandes
Gulfport	Council member Michael Fridovich
Indian Rocks Beach	David Ardman
Indian Rocks Beach	Kelly Cisarik, resident
Indian Rocks Beach	Commissioner Diane Flagg
Indian Rocks Beach	Phyllis Johnson
Indian Rocks Beach	Katie Rickel, resident
Indian Rocks Beach	Sheila Rickel, resident
Indian Rocks Beach	Jean Scott, resident
Indian Shores	Councilor Mike Hackerson
Indian Shores	Vice Mayor Diantha Schear
KCI/Duke	Stephen Maniaci, Construction Coordinator
Madeira Beach	Robert Daniels, City Manager
Madeira Beach	Curt Preisser, PIO
Pinellas County	John Bishop, Coastal Management
Pinellas County	Brian Lowack, Assistant to Administrator
Pinellas County	Rick Walker, Emergency Management
Redington Beach	Commissioner Tim Kornijtschuk
Redington Beach	Bruce McLaughlin, Town Planner
Redington Shores	Commissioner Michael Robinson
Sand Key Civic Association	Irmhild Karpinski
Sand Key Civic Association	Arlene Musselwhite, Director
Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber	Jessica Morrow, Marketing
Tampa Bay Newspapers	Jeannie Carlson
Treasure Island & Madeira Beach Chamber	Missy Hahn, President
Verizon Wireless	Michael Buerki, St. Manager-Govt. Sales
Verizon Wireless	Colin Denney, Managing Partner
Verizon Wireless	Michael McDonald, Sr. Manager.
Verizon Wireless	Matthew Mitchem, Business Development Manager
Waterfront Realty	Gina Johnson, Owner
Waterfront Realty	Tim Johnson, Owner
Waterfront Realty	Chris Kelly
Waterfront Realty	Christian Smith, Assistant

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

BIG-C President Soranno stated Sandra Knoebel of Forward Pinellas has requested that the following item be added to the agenda: Appointment to Forward Pinellas' School Transportation Safety Program.

Motion made by Mayor Queen, seconded by Mayor Henderson, to approve the amended agenda. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: AUGUST 28, 2019 BIG-C MINUTES.

Motion made by Mayor Queen, seconded by Mayor Johnson, to approve the August 28, 2019 BIGC Minutes. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

5. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2019 TREASURER’S REPORT.

BIG-C Secretary/Treasurer MaryBeth Henderson referenced the August 2019 Treasurer’s Report; the balance was \$1,071.88.

Motion made by Mayor Johnson, seconded by Mayor Kennedy, to approve the August 2019 Treasurer’s Report. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Digital Eel Invoice #25870 in the amount of \$4.75 for posting the June 26 and July 31, 2019 Meeting Minutes on the BIG-C Website.**

Motion made by Mayor Henderson, seconded by Mayor Black, to approve the Digital Eel Invoice #25870 in the amount of \$4.75. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

- B. Oil Drilling Correspondence. (Mayor Creketos)**

Mayor Cretekos requested that the correspondence be forward to President Soranno concerning oil drilling be circulated to the BIG-C Mayors. He stated the House of Representatives has approved a permanent ban on oil drilling.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Presentation by Verizon Business Account Manager for Government/Education/Non-Profit Miguel Rosario on “Verizon Wireless Disaster Readiness”.**

Miquel Rosario, Verizon Business Account Manager for Government/Education/Non-Profit, presented a PowerPoint Presentation to the BIG-C on Verizon Wireless Disaster Readiness.

Mr. Rosario spoke on Verizon’s Hurricane Preparedness:

Expectations:

- Objective: Network Sustainability.
- Preparation and Rapid Response for all crisis.
- Mobile asset deployment critical to success.
- Satellite assets are key to rapid restoral.
- Public Safety EOC collaboration.

Best Practices:

- Expanded Satellite Asset Inventory.
- Bay County Core Fiber Interconnect.
- Buried vs. Aerial.
- Wireless Carrier Roaming.
- Improved Coordination with Power Company.
- Local and State EOC Partnership.

Mr. Rosario stated the Verizon Response Team is ready to support first responders, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and communities to help them stay connected during emergencies. The nationwide hotline number is 800.981.9558.

Mr. Rosario stated a Verizon Mobile Connectivity Trailer is a towable, rapidly deployable communication trailer. It creates a cellular coverage area where there is no wireless coverage. Mobile connectivity coverage is over an approximately 31,500 square foot radius in open space.

Mr. Rosario thereafter addressed the BIG-C’s and the public’s questions.

B. Forward Pinellas School Transportation Safety Program Appointment.

Sandra Knoebel, Planner, Forward Pinellas, stated the School Transportation Safety Committee (STSC) has created a Gulf Beaches seat and would like for an elected official volunteer to fill this seat.

She stated the School Transportation Safety Committee (STSC) is made up of local elected officials and school board members that meet to address school-related transportation access and safety issues. The STSC aims to improve communication and coordination between transportation agencies and the Pinellas County School Board. The STSC meets three times per year: once in March, June, and October on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m., in the Forward Pinellas Planning Conference Room.

Mayor Kennedy volunteered to serve on this Committee.

Motion made by Mayor Queen, seconded by Mayor Henderson, to appoint Mayor Kennedy to serve on the School Transportation Safety Committee as the BIG-C appointment. Unanimous appointment by acclamation.

8. OLD BUSINESS. None.

9. MISCELLANEOUS.

President Soranno stated there will be a press conference at 10:00 a.m., on short-term rentals and zoning issues and Representative Jennifer Webb will also be in attendance.

10. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE.

Melissa Meshil, Legislative Aide, Senator Brandes' Office, stated Senator Brandes is the Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee for Criminal and Civil Justice. She stated all cities should forward their appropriation requests or any other issues to Senator Brandes as soon as possible as the Legislative Session begins on January 14th.

11. CITY EVENTS.

BIG-C Board Members reviewed their upcoming City events.

12. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Deanne Bulino O'Reilly, MMC, City Clerk
City of Indian Rocks Beach
1507 Bay Palm Boulevard
Indian Rocks Beach, Florida 33785

10/30/2019

Date Approved

APPROVED:



Patrick C. Soranno, President

ATTEST:



Freddie Lozano, Town Clerk