

**Board of Directors Meeting
Plantation Preserve Golf Course & Club
7050 West Broward Boulevard
Plantation, FL 33317**

**September 5, 2024
12:00-1:30 PM**

Call to Order, Moment of Silent Meditation, Pledge of Allegiance

President Brunson called the meeting to order with a moment of reflection and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

The roll was called, and a quorum was established.
Present were:

Officers: President Mayor Felicia Brunson, First Vice President Denise Horland, Second Vice President Joyce Davis and Treasurer Traci Callari.

Board Members/(Alternates): Past Presidents Commissioner Todd Drosky, Commissioner Bob Mayersohn, and Councilmember Susan Starkey, Councilmember Jim Allbritton, Vice Mayor Pamela Beasley-Pittman, Mayor Samson Borgelin, Commissioner Anthony Caggiano, Commissioner Joy Carter, Commissioner Kicia Daniel, Commissioner Jacqueline Guzman, Commissioner Jeremy Katzman, Commissioner Lawrence Martin, Commissioner Henry Mead, Mayor Wayne Messam, Commissioner Patty Petrone (Alternate Marshall), Commissioner Paul Rolli, Mayor Mitch Rosenwald, and Commissioner Mark Spence,.

Board Members Excused: Past President Mayor Greg Ross, and Mayor Edmund Malkoon.

Board Members Not Present: Past President Mayor Joy Cooper, Commissioner John Brodie, Commissioner Rhonda Eaton, Vice Mayor Beam Furr, Commissioner William Hodgkins, Commissioner Dave Ravenesi, Commissioner Jay Schwartz, Mayor Richard Walker and Councilmember Christopher Weber.

Also Present: Legal Counsel Paul Hernandez (Goren Cherof Doody & Ezrol), Hayley Zagacki (Conceptual Communication), Executive Director Mary Lou Tighe, and Deputy Executive Director Sely Cochrane.

Welcome

President Brunson welcomed everyone to the Board meeting in the City of Plantation. She introduced First Vice President Horland to welcome everyone to the city. First Vice President Horland shared that the city was incorporated in 1953 and Plantation Preserve is a municipally owned golf course with a park and a 1.5-mile linear trail. She introduced fellow staff and electeds in attendance including Mayor Sortal who came up to share a few words regarding the city as well.

Minutes

The minutes of June 6, 2024, were presented. Upon motion of Mayor Rosenwald, seconded by Commissioner Callari, the minutes were approved as presented.

Finance Report

Treasurer Callari noted the League is approaching the end of the fiscal year we continue to operate in a strong financial position. She shared a couple of points, the League will be able to maintain membership dues at the current level and dues have not increased in over 10 years. The accounts receivable report reflects 24/25 membership dues and those invoices should be sent out next week. She provided an update on CD renewals and noted that we will continue to explore interest rate opportunities. Upon motion of Commissioner Mayersohn, seconded by Susan Starkey, the financial report was approved.

President's Report

President Brunson shared that in June, the Executive Committee met for the annual strategic planning session. The Executive Committee discussed many things, especially the great impact the Broward League has had, and continues to have in all our cities and roles as city leaders. President Brunson announced her initiative, EXPERIENCE ONE BROWARD, which centers on how experience is the teacher of all things and behind every experience is a lesson learned. The goal this year is to provide many experiences to grow and learn as leaders of the Broward League of Cities. President Brunson gave a gift of a framed certificate outlining the 11 laws of leadership. The June General Membership meeting was a great introduction to the new Broward County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Howard Hepburn. He is truly dedicated to the academic mission of the school system as well as understanding the vital role he has in the operations and administration of the school system. She shared that the following week, she had a one-on-one meeting with him and he understands the need and importance of engaging with city leaders. President Brunson expressed that last month many elected officials attended the Florida League of Cities Annual Conference in Hollywood. What a great opportunity to network with colleagues from around the state as well as participate in interesting and informative workshops. It was especially important to everyone in Broward as we recognized the great work of Cooper City Mayor Greg Ross as he completed his term as FLC President. She expressed congratulations to Mayor Ross on a job well done and expressed thanks for "Serving All Our Cities" during his presidency! President Brunson expressed congratulations to Weston Mayor Peggy Brown on her election as President -Elect of the Florida League of Mayors. Mayor Brown will be a great leader and we are proud to support her in this effort. President Brunson also shared that during the conference we enjoyed an informative breakfast session with our neighboring Leagues of Palm Beach and Miami- Dade Counties. Joining us as our keynote speaker was Susan Trevarthen from the law firm of Weiss Serota to discuss the Live Local Act. President Brunson shared the the next General Membership meeting will be held on September 19th at the Marriott Fort Lauderdale Airport at Dania Pointe. It promises to be a great meeting with members of the Broward County Public Schools will join us to talk about their work as School Board Members. The two newly elected members will be in attendance as well. President Brunson encouraged the board to make every effort to attend. President Brunson announced that on on October 18 the League will host a workshop – "Experience Broward County Surtax". This workshop is an opportunity to learn more about the Broward County Surtax program, how it can help your cities and how you can answer residents' questions about transportation issues in your city.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director Tighe welcomed everyone back after the summer break. She gave an update on the tri-regional mayor's event that had participation from Palm Beach, Broward and Dade. Executive Director Tighe gave an update on the SRO working group and noted that they will continue to meet under Dr. Hepburn's leadership. She noted that the first public outreach meeting for the South Waste Authority is scheduled on September 18. She encouraged the board to share that information with their residents. Executive Director Tighe gave an update on the Scholarship program, included in the back up was an email from a previous Scholarship Recipient expressing gratitude and giving an update. She also noted a scholarship recipient from a few years ago was one of the panelists at the FLC Conference.

Legal Counsel

Paul Hernandez expressed Sam Goren's regards. He provided a legislative update including an update on the public Camping Law which has an effective date of October 1, 2024. He noted that the County's Response is a draft ordinance in progress. They are planning a meeting with city attorneys for discussion.

Public Relations Report

Hayley Zagacki provided the public relations report highlighting website updates, social media growth & performance. She encouraged members to engage with social media posts.

New Business

Mayor Wayne Messam expressed Miramar's Opposition to Incinerator. He discussed the city of Miramar's efforts to oppose an incinerator project and the broader implications for regional collaboration between Broward and Miami-Dade counties. He emphasized the importance of a collective approach to managing resources and addressing the proposed \$1.5 billion accelerator project and the need for information sharing and communication between mayors and the Solid Waste Authority. Consensus was to coordinate a meeting with Miami-Dade to discuss the matter further.

Miscellaneous

A copy of municipal resolutions and board meeting attendance was provided.