

Pinellas County

315 Court Street
Clearwater, Florida 33756



Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

9:30 AM

BCC Assembly Room

Board of County Commissioners

Kenneth T. Welch, Chairman
Karen Williams Seel, Vice-Chairman
Jay J. Beyroufi
Dave Eggers
Pat Gerard
Charlie Justice
Janet C. Long

ROLL CALL - 9:32 A.M.

Present: 7 - Chairman Kenneth T. Welch, Vice-Chairman Karen Williams Seel, Jay J. Beyrouti, Dave Eggers, Pat Gerard, Charlie Justice, and Janet C. Long

Others Present: Mark S. Woodard, County Administrator; Don Crowell, Chief Assistant County Attorney; Claretha N. Harris, Chief Deputy Clerk; and Teresa Adkins, Board Reporter.

INVOCATION by Reverend Andy Oliver, Senior Pastor, Allendale United Methodist Church, St. Petersburg.**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS****1. National Community Planning Month Proclamation:**

- Renea Vincent, Director, Planning
- Michael Schoderbock, Principal Planner, Land Use & Zoning Coordinator
- Allie Keen, Planner IV, Long Range Planning Section
- Joe Riddle, Planning Section Manager, CDBG Projects, Community Development Division
- Thomas Scofield, Planner IV, Historic Preservation
- Alan Shelhorn, GIS Application Specialist
- Cyndi Watkins, Administrative Support Specialist 2

Chairman Welch read a proclamation recognizing October 2018 as National Community Planning Month and thanked the County's planning team for their contributions; whereupon, Ms. Vincent introduced each staff member and spoke about future planning challenges the County faces.

2. Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award:

- Joe Lauro, Director, Purchasing

Chairman Welch welcomed Mr. Lauro and his staff to the podium; whereupon, he presented Mr. Lauro with the 23rd Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award from the National Procurement Institute, and the members of the team introduced themselves.

3. Doing Things! Employee Recognition Award:

- Michael Schoderbock, Principal Planner, Planning

Chairman Welch and Mr. Woodard recognized Mr. Schoderbock for his work as an urban planner for the County, and a video was shown highlighting the services he provides.

4. Partner Presentation:

- Dr. Tonjua Williams, President, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Martin Tadlock, Regional Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of South Florida - St. Petersburg

Chairman Welch introduced Dr. Williams, who narrated a PowerPoint presentation describing how the college is working to meet the region's workforce needs by building partnerships with regional educational institutions and working to ensure that students get better paying jobs once they graduate. Responding to query by Commissioner Beyrouti, she stated that most graduates could expect to be earning \$30,000 to \$35,000 annually when they graduate; whereupon, she described education efforts to teach parents early what pathway options are available.

Following the presentation, Commissioner Seel reported on the early stages of a collaborative effort with the two universities and the County school system to create a hospitality and culinary institute in the former Gulf Coast Art Museum building in Largo, and discussion ensued.

Referring to a PowerPoint presentation, Dr. Tadlock provided an update regarding USF-St. Petersburg (USFSP), highlighting its key themes of Inclusive Community, Research and Innovation, and Sustainability. He discussed scholarships, local and global educational partnerships, ongoing research, and proposed new academic programs, and presented various facts regarding the campus and its programs.

Referring to USFSP's consolidation with the Sarasota/Manatee and Tampa campuses, Dr. Tadlock reported that the effort is well under way and discussed the timeline, noting that the target for full consolidation is 2022. He indicated that degree offerings are expected to greatly increase, as programs can now be offered at any of the locations, yet each campus will retain its distinct identity. Discussion ensued, and in response to queries by Commissioner Justice, Dr. Tadlock described the University's master academic plan process for implementing new programs, and indicated that the tenure issue is still controversial and unresolved.

Responding to queries by Commissioner Beyrouti, Dr. Tadlock related that USFSP is working with business and industry with regard to workforce development; that internship opportunities available for students have increased by over 80 percent in the last three years; and that the average starting wage for baccalaureate degree holders has been steadily increasing; whereupon, he opined that the highest demand for talent in the county will be in the health care field, as well as engineering, hospitality, and insurance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

All public hearing items have been properly advertised. Affidavits of Publication have been received and are on file in the Board Records Department.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

5. Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 hearing, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, relating to the issuance by the Capital Trust Agency of its Senior Living Revenue Bonds (Grand Villa portfolio project), Series 2018 Bonds and adoption of a Resolution of the Board approving the Series 2018 Bonds for the purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code and Section 159.29, Florida Statutes.

Resolution No. 18-78 adopted approving the issuance of the bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.00. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Seel, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

6. Proposed amendments to the Clearwater Downtown Redevelopment Plan for the Clearwater Downtown Community Redevelopment Area.

Resolution No. 18-79 adopted approving amendments repealing and replacing Chapter 4, amending Chapter 3, and deleting Appendix 8 of the Plan. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Mr. Woodard introduced the item, noting that there is no change in the projects, the amount of funding to be provided by the County, or the term of the existing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District, which is set to sunset in 2033.

Responding to queries by Commissioner Seel, Community Redevelopment Area Director Amanda Thompson provided information pertaining to the City's proposed acquisition and redevelopment of the North Ward School site and funding sources for the Imagine Clearwater Plan, including the anticipated future use of TIF funds; whereupon, Mr. Woodard provided input regarding the County's contribution to help support projects within the Community Redevelopment Area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Countywide Planning Authority

Mr. Woodard related that Items Nos. 7 and 8 are being deferred at the request of Forward Pinellas.

7. Case No. CW 18-19 - City of St. Petersburg
(Deferred to the November 20, 2018 BCC Meeting)

Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Medium to Multimodal Corridor, regarding 1.5 acres more or less, located at 5908 4th Street North (regular amendment).

8. Case No. CW 18-21 - City of Clearwater
 (Deferred to the November 20, 2018 BCC Meeting)
 Countywide Plan Map amendment from Public/Semi-Public and Preservation to Residential Low Medium and Public/Semi-Public, regarding 9.2 acres more or less, located at 3474 Aspen Trail, 3490 Lake Shore Lane and 3492 Lake Shore Lane (regular amendment).

9. Case No. CW 18-20 - City of Clearwater
 Countywide Plan Map amendment from Activity Center to Activity Center, regarding 0.4 acre more or less, located at 1000 Court Street (regular amendment).

Ordinance No. 18-33 adopted approving Case No. CW 18-20. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, recommended approval of the proposal, and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Mr. Woodard related that the parcel was intended to be included in a listing of properties previously submitted by the City of Clearwater for Board approval; however, it had been inadvertently omitted from the legal advertisement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

CONSENT AGENDA - Items 10 through 21 (Item 18 addressed under Regular Agenda)

A motion was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the Consent Agenda items be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

10. Minutes of the regular meeting held September 13, 2018.

11. Vouchers and bills paid from August 19 through September 15, 2018.

Period: August 19 through August 25, 2018

Accounts Payable - \$10,837,415.40

Payroll - \$3,536,026.68

Period: August 26 through September 1, 2018

Accounts Payable - \$35,739,713.9

Payroll - None

Period: September 2 through September 8, 2018

Accounts Payable - \$11,732,326.88

Payroll - \$3,521,436.34

Period: September 9 through September 15, 2018

Accounts Payable - \$10,634,954.69

Payroll - \$10,025.25

Reports received for filing:

12. Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2018-22 dated September 20, 2018 - Follow-Up Audit of Consumer Protection's Internal Controls over DAVID Information.
13. Dock Fee Report for the month of September 2018.

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

14. City of Oldsmar Ordinance No. 2018-09 adopted September 18, 2018, annexing certain property.
15. Southwest Florida Water Management District Fiscal Year 2019 schedule of meetings and map depicting the District's boundaries.
16. Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County Fiscal Year 2019 Budget.
17. Eastlake Oaks Community Development District minutes of the meeting held June 14, 2018.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Public Works

19. Award of Bid to David Nelson Construction, Inc. for the South Lake Avenue culvert replacement project.

Bid No. 178-0487-CP (PID No. 002125A) in the amount of \$665,287.90 awarded on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. Contract in the amount of \$919,597.90 includes \$254,310.00 to be paid by the City of Clearwater for utility relocation work. All work is expected to be completed within 270 consecutive calendar days. Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

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Countywide Planning Authority

20. Official acceptance of the Countywide Plan Map adjustment submitted by the City of Clearwater.

Map adjustment received and accepted, as recommended by Forward Pinellas in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council.

Sheriff's Office

21. Resolution supplementing the Sheriff's Fiscal Year 2018 General Fund Budget for unanticipated revenue related to the U.S. Marshal, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Florida Department of Juvenile Justice contracts.

Resolution No. 18-80 adopted appropriating revenue in the amount of \$865,620.00 to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office cost center in the General Fund to cover additional costs incurred with regard to the contracts.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Public Works

18. Award of bid to Pepper Contracting Services, Inc. for the Forest Lakes Boulevard Phase II project.

Contract No. 178-0423-CP (PID No. 002110A) in the amount of \$12,025,336.10 awarded on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. City of Oldsmar to contribute \$461,385.00 for its portion of utility relocation work. All work is expected to be completed within 908 consecutive calendar days. Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

At the request of Commissioner Eggers, Mr. Woodard provided an overview of the project; whereupon, Traffic Engineering Section Manager Thomas Washburn referred to an aerial map, pointed out the location of the project's three phases, and responded to queries regarding traffic and the construction schedule.

A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chairman Welch, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chairman Seel

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Airport

- 22.** Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services at St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

Agreement approved in the amount of \$1,312,656.00 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

A motion was made by Commissioner Justice, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chairman Welch, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chairman Seel

Human Services

- 23.** Contract with the State of Florida Department of Health for operation of the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County.

Contract approved for Fiscal Year 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$6,474,500.00. County Administrator authorized to execute administrative amendments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

- 24.** Grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Pinellas Criminal Domestic Battery Response Improvement project.

Grant award approved for funding in the amount of \$864,210.00 over three years. No County match is required.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Planning

25. Resolution renaming Joe's Creek Greenway Park to Raymond H. Neri Community Park.

Resolution No. 18-81 adopted renaming the park.

Commissioner Justice thanked the Board members for their support of the item, and Mr. Woodard related that an official renaming celebration will be held on October 27 at 10:00 A.M.; whereupon, Parks and Conservation Resources Director Paul Cozzie presented a conceptual plan for redesign of the park and provided a brief overview of the project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Justice, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Public Works

26. Resolution dedicating a portion of County-owned property as public road right-of-way for the Whitney Road at Wolford Road intersection improvement project.

Resolution No. 18-82 adopted. Clerk authorized to record.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

27. Amendment No. 1 to the Emergency Grant Funding Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for red tide management for and within Pinellas County.

(PID No. 90004G1, FDEP Contract No. AB006) Amendment approved providing for an increase in funding in the amount of \$2,000,000.00. Reimbursement period of August 31, 2018 to December 1, 2018 to remain. Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Real Estate Management

28. Resolution granting status to Keep Pinellas Beautiful for donation of surplus personal property.

Resolution No. 18-83 adopted pursuant to Section 274.05, Florida Statutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Safety and Emergency Services

29. Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Frontier Communications of America, Inc. for 9-1-1 network services. (Companion to Item No. 30)

(Contract No. 167-0161-Q) Change Order approved for an increase in the amount of \$274,372.00 (revised 60-month contract amount, \$1,463,692.00; annual amount, \$292,738.40), effective through February 5, 2022. Schedules approved for execution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

30. Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Carousel Industries of North America, Inc. for the purchase, installation, maintenance and repair of 9-1-1 phone equipment. (Companion to Item No. 29)

(Contract No. 156-0302-M) Change Order approved for an increase in the amount of \$861,514.00 (revised 60-month contract amount, \$4,054,936.47), effective through June 30, 2021. Documents approved for execution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Beyrouiti, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

31. County Administrator Miscellaneous.

Mr. Woodard announced the advertisement of a Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) hearing to be conducted on October 23, 2018 on behalf of Advantage Academy of Pinellas, Inc., doing business as Pinellas County Academy of Math and Science. He related that the Pinellas County Educational Facilities Authority met on October 5 and recommends moving forward with the TEFRA hearing; and that the school plans to use the funds from the proposed bond issue to finance the purchase of an existing facility from its landlord.

Interim Emergency Management Director David Halstead referred to a PowerPoint presentation and provided an update regarding the status of Hurricane Michael. He related that the storm was a slight threat to Pinellas County, and responding to query by Commissioner Eggers, indicated that the hurricane would have minimum impact on the red tide.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodard thanked Mr. Halstead for serving as Interim Director and related that Cathie Perkins will assume the role of Emergency Management Director on October 29.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 32.** Proposed settlement in the case of Melinda Lamm and Bobby Lee Lamm, Jr. v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 17-004649-CI-7.

Attorney Crowell recommended that the proposed settlement be rejected in accordance with the confidential memorandum dated October 9, 2018; and that the County Administrator be authorized to reject any future settlement in the case beyond the existing \$50,000 limit.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Seel, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the Attorney's recommendation be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

- 33.** County Attorney Miscellaneous - None.

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Business Technology Services

- 34.** Change Order No. 1 to add to the contract with Ticomix, Inc. dba Aprtris, as requested by Business Technology Services, for the ServiceNow IT service support management subscription, access to as-needed and on-going Service Now Training offerings using Learning Credits.

(Contract No. 167-0323-B) Change Order approved for an increase in the amount of \$240,000.00 (revised 60-month contract amount, \$1,427,916.64), effective through July 20, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

35. County Administrator Reports:
- Redington Multi-Use Facility
 - Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding - Penny IV
 - Code Enforcement Liens, Foreclosures and Demolitions

Redington Multi-Use Facility

Mr. Woodard introduced the item and referring to a PowerPoint presentation, provided an overview of the project. He related that the proposed partnership with the Towns of Redington Shores, Redington Beach, and North Redington Beach for a multi-purpose facility would provide for the following:

- Location for EMS unit and fire
- Enable strategic locations for future station replacements
- Future water rescue unit
- Office and meeting space for Sheriff's Office
- Replacement of County sewer pump station

Utilities Director Megan Ross related that the current lift station is past its useful life and was scheduled to be upgraded; that a Redington rescue station project had been under consideration; and that the department is working with Real Estate Management to combine the efforts into one design-build project, lowering costs; whereupon, Mr. Woodard discussed the financial and service benefits of partnering with the cities, funding requirements, the possibility of future projects, and next steps.

Discussion ensued, and responding to comments and queries by the members, Mr. Woodard introduced Safety and Emergency Services Director Jim Fogarty, who discussed the shared cost methodology based on call volumes, and Mr. Woodard provided history of past and present fire station locations.

Chairman Welch recognized elected officials in the audience, and North Redington Beach Mayor Bill Queen spoke in support of the project; whereupon, Chairman Welch noted a consensus of the Board to move forward with the project.

Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding - Penny IV

Referring to a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Woodard provided background information regarding the allocation of Penny for Pinellas III funds to each of the Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG-C) members for utility undergrounding and beautification of Gulf Boulevard, and highlighted the proposed Penny IV project scope, framework, and next steps. He discussed the benefits of the recommended "One Project" approach, indicating that it reduces inefficiencies and fragmentation, while introducing efficiencies and cost savings.

Discussion ensued as to the cities' use of Penny III funds and investment of their own funds, the cost to complete the various segments of undergrounding, and the distribution of the \$35 million allocated under Penny IV, and Attorney Crowell provided input; whereupon, Chairman Welch related that groups from Bayway Isles and Tierra Verde have expressed interest in undergrounding; that the St. Petersburg City Council will be considering a proposal regarding the area under its jurisdiction; and that including the areas in the larger project could result in efficiencies and cost savings.

City of Clearwater Mayor George Cretekos related his concerns that the Penny IV funds are allocated for undergrounding only; that Clearwater is being cut out of the distribution because it has completed undergrounding using its own funding; and that beautification efforts are ongoing, noting that Clearwater has the number one beach and is the biggest contributor of bed tax and Penny for Pinellas revenue. Discussion ensued, and Commissioner Seel suggested that the BIG-C members be asked how their Penny III allocated funds were spent, how much is remaining, and where it is projected to be spent; whereupon, Commissioner Gerard requested that the City of Clearwater provide a list of specific projects to be considered.

Mr. Woodard provided input, and referring to comments by the members, related that there may be a path toward accommodating the needs and desires of Clearwater and Indian Shores. Chairman Welch indicated that there appears to be a consensus to move forward with the project, obtain the information requested by Commissioner Seel, and get a list of prospective projects from the City of Clearwater; whereupon, he suggested that the BIG-C meet and attempt to reach some internal resolution of the issues.

Chairman Welch recognized Town of Indian Shores Vice-Mayor Diantha Schear, and Mr. Woodard addressed her concerns; whereupon, City of St. Pete Beach Mayor Alan Johnson provided input pertaining to projects in his community.

Code Enforcement Liens, Foreclosures and Demolitions

While this item was deferred until later in the meeting, after Item No. 38, it is being included here for continuity.

Mr. Woodard related that the item is a follow-up to a discussion resulting from a new business item recently submitted by Commissioner Justice pertaining to code enforcement opportunities in the Lealman community; and that the focus has been expanded, as problematic properties exist throughout the unincorporated area.

Director of Development Review Services and Code Enforcement Blake Lyon referred to a PowerPoint presentation and related that the code enforcement process is based upon the County's mission and strategic plan, noting that the goal is to achieve compliance, not generate revenue, although the monetary aspect is a means to compel or incentivize compliance.

Mr. Lyon reviewed the various types of liens involved in code enforcement, the Special Magistrate process, and voluntary and involuntary ways to achieve release of a lien, noting that the department uses methodology that is fair and consistent; and that it is not focusing on occupied, homesteaded properties; whereupon, he discussed the options of temporary and permanent injunctions, and matters to be addressed when considering foreclosure or condemnation and demolition. Mr. Woodard clarified that injunctive relief, condemnation, and demolition could apply to both homesteaded and non-homesteaded property.

Mr. Lyon indicated that he has reviewed practices in various jurisdictions; that he believes the necessary ordinances are in place, although they may need revision; and that he is seeking policy direction from the Board, along with a commitment of the necessary resources to carry out that direction; whereupon, he presented recommendations and proposed next steps.

Discussion ensued, and Commissioner Justice suggested that staff compile a priority list of properties to be addressed. Mr. Lyon concurred, and responding to query by Chairman Welch, suggested that the Board set thresholds for prioritization, noting that a second filter could be to identify properties with common ownership; whereupon, Chairman Welch requested that Mr. Lyon provide threshold recommendations in the near future for the Board's consideration.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

36. Public Comment.

David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor, re shapeshifting of government (submitted document)

Connor Donovan, Tarpon Springs, re Anclote River dredging

Kim Beaty, Dunedin, re sailing center

Rod Collman, Dunedin, re sailing center

Fairlie Brinkley, Dunedin, re sailing center

Ronald Ronz, Seminole, re save the Tides

Ed Methfessel, Seminole, re green space

Greg Pound, Largo, re families in Pinellas

Later in the meeting at the request of Commissioner Welch, Mr. Woodard provided an update regarding Baypointe Golf Course, relating that, as a result of citizens' concerns at the previous meeting, the County has removed the illegal dumping and debris from the County right-of-way; that there has not been compliance on the part of the property's ownership group; and that staff will bring the matter back to the Board in the near future in terms of potential injunctive relief.

Mr. Woodard related that the application submitted by the Dunedin Sailing Center shows that the right-of-way traverses an environmentally sensitive area on County land; that the application was denied based on County Code; and that alternatives are being considered, and brief discussion ensued.

Meeting Recessed: 1:11 P.M.

Meeting Reconvened: 1:47 P.M.

COUNTY COMMISSION

37. Appointments to the Tourist Development Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Russ Kimball and Phil Henderson reappointed to four-year terms ending in 2022, Keith Overton and Charles Prather appointed to serve partial terms ending in 2020, and Doreen Moore and City of Dunedin Mayor Julie Ward-Bujalski appointed to serve four-year terms ending in 2022.

Chairman Welch introduced Convention and Visitors Bureau President and CEO David Downing who gave a brief overview of the Tourist Development Council (TDC) seats up for appointment. Discussion ensued, and referring to his memorandum dated October 3, 2018, Managing Assistant County Attorney Michael Zas provided clarification on the determination of candidate eligibility based on the Special Act that created the organization.

A motion was made by Commissioner Justice, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that Russ Kimball and Phil Henderson be reappointed to four-year terms ending in 2022. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

Discussion ensued pertaining to the applicants and categories they represent, and following a ballot vote for the partial-term members, Ms. Harris announced the results. Further discussion ensued, and Attorneys Crowell and Zas provided input; whereupon, Chairman Welch distributed new ballots and indicated that the vote would be retaken. Following vote tabulation, Ms. Harris announced that Messrs. Overton and Prather had been appointed to fill the terms ending in 2020.

Following brief discussion, the members completed their ballots for full-term members, and upon tabulation of the votes, Ms. Harris announced that Ms. Moore and Mayor Ward-Bujalski had been appointed.

Noting the presence of applicant Mike Williams of Innisbrook Resort in the audience, Commissioner Eggers thanked him for offering to serve on the TDC, acknowledging his professionalism and efforts to support tourism in Pinellas County.

At the invitation of the Chairman, newly appointed TDC member Doreen Moore addressed the Board and requested a re-evaluation of what constitutes collectors of bed tax pursuant to the Special Act. She indicated that the different vehicles available today affect the definition of what tourist accommodation means as a tax collector. Discussion ensued, and Mr. Williams provided input in response to queries by Commissioner Seel; whereupon, Attorney Crowell indicated that staff would review the matter.

38. Annual performance review of the County Administrator.

Chairman Welch related that on a three-point scale, Mr. Woodard had received a 2.9 average rating with regard to functional competencies, and a 2.8 average rating relating to the Board Strategic Plan, noting that the individual Commissioner evaluations have been made a part of the record.

Stating that Mr. Woodard will remain on the County payroll until December 31, Chairman Welch recommended that he be given a salary increase of three percent of the pay range midpoint effective October 1, in accordance with the increase given to all other County employees.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Seel, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the County Administrator's salary be increased as recommended by the Chairman. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chairman Welch, Vice-Chairman Seel, Commissioner Beyrouiti, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

39. County Commission New Business Items.

Item addressed under Item No. 40.

40. County Commission Board Reports and Miscellaneous Items.

Commissioners Long, Justice, and Gerard presented their reports during vote tabulation on Item No. 37.

The members reported on the activities of their assigned Boards and Committees, and related or discussed the following items:

Commissioner Long

- Related that new Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA) Executive Director David Green will start October 26; that the legislative ask of \$1.56 million in recurring money has been finalized; and that the organization ended the year with \$29,000 in reserves.

- Reported that Forward Pinellas has closed two of three outstanding grants; and that the final cost of the 41-mile feasibility plan is still being calculated.
- Related that the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority was awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting; that it received two \$1 million federal grants under the Low and No Emissions bus program; that the launch of the new electric bus was a success; that the performance score card has been finalized; and that the organization is moving forward with the new federal budget under the Capital Investment Grant.
- Reported on the Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition Compact signing yesterday, noting that 25 governments have signed, and discussed related activities. The members congratulated her on her efforts and leadership.

Commissioner Justice

- Related that the Gulf Consortium's state expenditure plan has been approved by the Governor and the Environmental Protection Agency, and a full report is forthcoming.
- Attended the State Vocational Rehabilitation Services disability employment awareness event in St. Petersburg.
- Attended the USF Marine Science awards luncheon and was encouraged by the research and work that is being done.
- Recognized Steve Cleveland of the Florida Dream Center for helping a family in need during a time of crisis.

Commissioner Gerard

- Attended the Habitat for Humanity's 500th house dedication in Pinellas County.
- Related that the Pinellas County Housing Authority is looking for a new location in mid-county.
- Attended the St. Petersburg College Institute for Strategic Policy Solutions, representing the County with regard to the upcoming referendum, and argued in favor of Amendments One and Two.
- Attended the Mayor's Council meeting, which had guests from Visit St. Petersburg/Clearwater.
- Provided an update on the ongoing CareerSource Pinellas investigation. Responding to queries by Commissioner Long, Attorney Crowell related that CareerSource Attorney Harris does not represent Pinellas County or the BCC.

- Related that she and Attorney Crowell have been working on the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) ordinance and will be bringing it to the Board soon with enhanced consumer protections.
- Reported that she and Attorney White have been working on the Faith and Action for Strength Together (FAST) ordinance with the intention of having a 50/50 split with affordable housing and economic development.

Commissioner Beyrouti

- Thanked Mr. Woodard and his staff for bringing the Redington and Gulf Boulevard issues before the Board, and the Commissioners for working together to provide clarity and direction.

Commissioner Eggers

- Noted upcoming meetings of Forward Pinellas and the Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group.
- Attended a Tampa Bay Water executive meeting. Work continues on an agreement with the City of Tampa and the long range water master plan.
- Attended the Pinellas Schools Collaborative presentation regarding school safety, and ongoing challenges and concerns.
- Toured the Historical Fenway Hotel in Dunedin; the grand opening is October 22.
- Recently attended the Personal Enrichment through Mental Health Services Pacesetter Awards ceremony. Related that suicides in Pinellas County are still on the rise and believes there will be additional focus on that in the coming year.
- Congratulated Anita Apley for receiving the Delightful Dunedin award this year.
- The Whispering Souls African Cemetery will hold a volunteer cleanup on October 13 at 8:00 A.M.

Commissioner Seel

- Attended the Early Learning Coalition meeting last week; provided information regarding proclamations for the members' review.
- Related that the Creative Pinellas strategic planning meeting went well and provided information regarding an upcoming fundraising event showcasing past grant recipients and emerging artists.

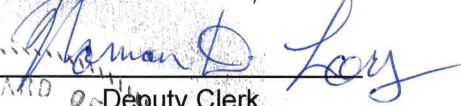
Commissioner Welch

- Noted that the Economic Development Council had its last meeting for the year; that a presentation was given by Tampa Bay Tech; that St. Petersburg College President Tonjua Williams spoke on the shortage of a talented workforce; and that Forward Pinellas Executive Director Whit Blanton gave an overview on transportation.

ADJOURNMENT - 3:34 P.M.


Chairman

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By 
Deputy Clerk

