



**Roundtable of Volusia County Elected Officials
April 11, 2016
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER - 12 p.m.

Dennis McGee Room of Daytona Beach International Airport, 800 Catalina Drive, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Those attending included the following Roundtable members: Chairman Bob Apgar, DeLand Mayor; Vice-Chairman John Penny, Holly Hill Mayor; Volusia County Chair Jason Davis; New Smyrna Beach Mayor James Hathaway; Ormond Beach Mayor Ed Kelley; Pierson Mayor James Sowell; Orange City Mayor Tom Laputka; Ponce Inlet Council Member Lois Paritsky; DeBary Vice-Mayor Lita Handy-Peters; Edgewater Mayor Michael Ignasiak; Lake Helen Vice-Mayor Vernon Burton; Daytona Beach City Commissioner Pam Woods; South Daytona Mayor George Locke, III; Oak Hill Mayor Douglas Gibson; Port Orange Mayor Allen Green; and Daytona Beach Shores Mayor Harry Jennings.

Others attending included Joyce Shanahan, Ormond Beach City Manager; Jeff White, Volusia/Flagler County Coalition for the Homeless (VFCCH); Ray Salazar, VFCCH; Sam Willett, VFCCH; Chet Bell, formerly CEO of Stewart-Marchman-Act Behavioral Healthcare; Ken Norton, Team Volusia; Nancy Christman, St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) Intergovernmental Coordinator; Ann Benedetti, SJRWMD Intergovernmental Coordinator; Jim Cameron, Daytona Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce Senior Vice-President of Government Relations; Cindy Finney, County Manager's Office; and Jeff Crumbley, Volusia County Community Information. Taking minutes was Debbie Kelley with the County Manager's Office.

WELCOME

Roundtable Chairman Bob Apgar welcomed those attending. Everyone introduced themselves, then stood to say the Pledge of Allegiance.

DISCUSSION

There was no report from the Beach Driving Subcommittee.

Daytona Beach City Commissioner Pam Woods briefly explained the *2016 Point-in-Time Count Report* that had been provided to each Roundtable member. She introduced Jeff White, Executive Director of the Volusia/Flagler County Coalition for

the Homeless (VCFCH), who provided the *2016 Point-in-Time Count Report*. The number of homeless persons counted in 2016 was 1,005 people, down from previous years. He briefly explained the homelessness breakdowns for each city and unincorporated Volusia County. There was a lengthy question and answer session among Roundtable members and attendees.

Ms. Woods spoke about the *Salvation Army Bridge/Beach St. Overflow Update Report* and the *Recommendations Regarding Services to Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness* handouts that were provided to Roundtable members. A question and answer session followed.

Port Orange Mayor Allen Green gave the Water Subcommittee report. He spoke about the importance of addressing septic tank issues quickly to prevent further water contamination. Some funding had been established for improving the area's springs, but more funding was needed to help improve all water bodies. There was further discussion among the members.

Chair Apgar noted the Transportation Subcommittee had not met yet. At the last City Manager's meeting, it had been decided that the 2016 election was too early for any transportation issues to be placed on the ballot.

Joyce Shanahan, Ormond Beach City Manager, said the city managers group had been working collectively on this issue, but believed there wasn't enough time to develop each city's priorities in time to place a referendum on the ballot this year. Discussion ensued.

Edgewater Mayor Michael Ignasiak spoke about the *Water Compact*. One of the underlying reasons behind the *Water Compact* was to bring all the municipalities together as one body to pursue grants and funding for projects.

Mayor Apgar said drone control could be a possible discussion at future meetings.

Public Participation

Nancy Christman, St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), thanked the Roundtable members whose cities had adopted April as Water Conservation Month.

Big John said he didn't think the Roundtable members had done enough about transportation issues, and he thought the Homelessness Subcommittee meetings should be open to the public.

Closing Comments

Holly Hill Mayor John Penny noted that most information discussed in Homelessness Subcommittee meetings were presented at the monthly Roundtable meetings.

New Smyrna Beach Mayor James Hathaway invited everyone to the New Smyrna Beach Skyfest on April 15-17, 2016.

Ormond Beach Mayor Ed Kelley commented on the report by Chet Bell, Randy Croy, and Ray Salazar that had been presented at the February 8, 2016, Roundtable meeting. He spoke about the cost of the Volusia County Public Works Department's proposed centralized facility and suggested the funding for this project could be used for transportation issues instead. Many of the municipalities had space that could be utilized by the County's Public Works Department.

Mayor Apgar spoke about the *Overview for Potential Policy Re-Distribution* presentation by Volusia County Community Services Department Director Dona Butler at the March 14, 2016, Roundtable meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:06 pm.