

**OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
OF THE
BIOSCIENCE LAND PROTECTION ADVISORY BOARD
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

May 15, 2014

**WEDNESDAY
1:33 P.M.**

RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Valeche at 1:33 P.M.

Commissioner Hal Valeche explained the revised agenda. The Board unanimously agreed to reorder the agenda.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Hal R. Valeche, Chair, Palm Beach County Commission
Mayor Karen Golonka, Town of Jupiter
Mayor James Dubois, Town of Lake Park
Cedrick Thomas, City of Riviera Beach
Joe Russo, Vice Chair, City of Palm Beach Gardens
David Levy, City of Palm Beach Gardens
Sarita Johnson, Town of Mangonia Park
Ilan Kaufer, Town of Jupiter

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

Motion to nominate Commissioner Valeche to serve as Chair, by Council Member Russo seconded by Councilperson Thomas, carried unanimously.

Motion to nominate Council Member Russo to serve as Vice Chair, by Commissioner Valeche seconded by Mayor Dubois.

3. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 20, 2013 MINUTES

Motion was made to approve the November 20, 2013, minutes. Motion by Mayor Dubois, seconded by Council Member Russo, and carried unanimously.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Approve proposed Amendment to Bylaws –

Commissioner Valeche noted one strike though in the bylaws under caption 6, which says the advisory board should meet at least quarterly. Assistant County Attorney Bob Banks confirmed if the board meets yearly that will suffice. Council Member Levy requested that a correction to the spelling of permitted in section 1(a) be corrected.

Motion by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Council Member Johnson to approve the proposed amendment to the bylaws. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

5. MEMBER UPDATES –

Council Member Levy mentioned the Alton Project, two housing projects, a multifamily and single family home development. He discussed where the current property is located and discussed his comments to the developer.

Commissioner Valeche updated the board on Tenant noting that they had abandoned any thoughts of building the research hospital. Mayor Golonka added that Jupiter Medical Center was still willing to work with Scripps. She also stated they had no new reports for Bioscience since November.

6. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BOARD UPDATE –

Sean Rowan discussed the Life Science and Health Care Task Force and the four key areas; Biotech, R&D, Health Care, and Pharmaceuticals. He noted that the intent of the task force was to focus on other areas in the state that do not have the concentration on Life Sciences, but they seem to be generating more of a buzz than we are. Mr. Rowan distributed a map and directory of Palm Beach County Hospitals and Palm Beach County Biotech Companies with a brief description of each company.

7. NEW BUSINESS – None

8. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on September 18, 2014 at 1:30 pm

10. Adjournment

At 2:15 P.M., a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.