



## NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Legislative Policy Committee

April 5, 2018

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### MINUTES

A meeting of the Personnel, Budget & Finance Committee was held on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 12:22 p.m. at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32202. **Chair Drew** called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Present: Mr. Drew, Commissioner Gulliford, Commissioner Horvath, Mr. Redford and Mr. Register

Also Present: NEFRC Board Members Mayor Lynch and Mayor Holland

Excused: Ms. Van Eckert

Absent: Ms. Brown

Staff Present: Brian Teeple and Sheron Forde

#### \* Approval of Minutes

**Chair Drew called for a motion on the Minutes. Commissioner Gulliford motioned to approve the November 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes; seconded by Mr. Redford. Motion carried.**

#### 2018 Legislative Session

Mr. Teeple provided an overview of the 2018 Legislative Session, with brief discussions on some of the Legislative activities on issues such as the county boundaries, CRAs, and gun legislation.

#### Preparation for 2019 Legislative Session

The 2019 Legislative Session is expected to begin March 5, 2019, with Committees meeting in January/February. It was, therefore, suggested that the Legislative Priorities solicitation begin in June 2018 with due date in August 2018. This Committee could meet in October to vet the priorities for publication, allowing the distribution to Legislators prior to their Committee meetings.

By consensus, it was agreed that the Priorities solicitation would begin in June 2018.

Mayor Sean Lynch addressed the Committee regarding an issue the Town of Baldwin has been experiencing with the CSX trains blocking roadways. After discussion, Mayor Lynch asked the Committee to consider supporting a bill he is proposing for the 2019 Legislative Session by including it in the Northeast Florida Regional Council's 2019 Legislative Priorities.

**Chair Drew called for a motion. Councilman Gulliford motioned to ask the Board of Directors to include the Town of Baldwin's proposed Bill on the 2019 Legislative Priorities; seconded by Mayor Holland. Motion carried.**

Public Comment

No public comment.

Next Meeting Date

Based on earlier discussions regarding the 2019 Legislative Session, it was determined that the Committee will need to meet prior to the finalizing the Legislative Priorities.

**Chair Drew called for a motion on the next meeting date. Commissioner Horvath motioned to hold the next meeting August 2, 2018; seconded by Mr. Register. Motion carried.**

Meeting Adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

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John Drew  
Chair

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Brian D. Teeple  
Chief Executive Officer