



NORTH COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION

Minutes

Thursday, December 7, 2023 / 4:00PM / NCNC

Meeting called to order by Sal Faso

Location: The Club at IBIS

9550 Ibis Blvd WPB, FL 33412

IN ATTENDANCE

- Member Community Delegates and Friends from Ancient Tree, Ballenisles, Baywinds, Bent Tree, Caloosa, Carlton Oaks, Evergrene, IBIS, Mirabella, Mirasol, Montecito, PGA National, Preserve at Bayhill Estates, Rustic Lakes, Steeplechase, and The Isles

- Local Government Officials, Community Leaders and Businesses from Palm Beach County, Palm Beach Gardens and West Palm Beach including Vice Mayor Marino, Mayor Reed, Councilmember Premuroso, Commissioner Lambert, Amy Ebersbach from PBC Tax Collector's Office, Lauren Kiemowich & Maria Zuniga from PBC Supervisors of Elections, Firefighters Steen Erikson, Fire Rescue Peter Hund, FPL Don Kiselewski, The Corradino Group Mel Pollock, and Stentec /FDOT Patrick Kennedy

- Presenters from Palm Beach County Commissioner Office, FPL & Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at FAU

NEW BUSINESS

The meeting was convened by Sal Faso at 4:00PM

- Opening Remarks from Sal included the following:
 - Introduction of officials & candidates in the audience
 - Received approval for December 2023 Meeting Minutes
 - Received approval for December 2023 Treasurer's Report
 - Reflection on 2023 ~ 22 unique speakers, 74% voting rate for 10 years, we educate/inform/then decision can be made, and 17 years of trust & respect
 - Passing of Bob Gilbert from Osprey Isle. May he rest in peace. Donations can be made to Morselife in Bob's memory.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Maria Marino, Palm Beach County Vice Mayor & District 1 Commissioner

- Maria Marino discussed the following:
 - 2024 Budget is \$8B, 23% ad valorem lowering counties portion of tax, lowered mil rate by 4.5%, \$300M in reserve
 - PBC infrastructure received AAA rating
 - Discussed the possible change to unified Land Development Code Ordinance Regarding Commercial Trucks within the Acreage. Information was sent to all Delegates immediately after the meeting.

Donald Kiselewski, FPL Senior Director of External Affairs

➤ Don Kiselewski discussed the following: ‘

- Hardening of the Feeders began after 2004/2005. All poles to be converted from wood to concrete. Beeline to Publix at IBIS on Northlake is 25% completed.
- Acreage to IBIS was hardened in 2022. Avenir has a substation & feeders. More power can be given as we grow.
- Next project is backyard wires will be now underground
- 350K new residents move to FL every year. PBC is the top community providing power
- Ryder Cup has a substation – Beeline to Jog to WPB
- FDOT & FPL coordinate weekly on municipalities
- Open houses will begin in March on the Beeline & Northlake update project. Project to start the end of March.

Jennifer Gerkin, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at FAU Marketing Outreach Coordinator

➤ Jennifer Gerkin discussed the following:

- How to educate ourselves as ‘young adults’. Distributed Jupiter’s Winter/Spring 2024 program catalog. Here is a link to their website. <https://www.fau.edu/osherjupiter/>
- Importance of donating for the Give the Gift of Learning. If interested here is link for donations. <https://www.fau.edu/osherjupiter/donations.php>

ADJOURNMENT

Closing Remarks included the following:

- At WPB State of the Union Address Free Cancer screening mobile @ communities
- Brad from Caloosa gave an overview of community ~ 5 acres, 350 homes, 900 residents & 40% equestrians. Brought to our attention House Bills 173, 979, & 278 & information was sent to all Delegates immediately after the meeting.
- Must request a vote by mail if you intend on voting by mail.
<https://www.votepalmbeach.gov/Voters/Vote-By-Mail>
- 'Check to make sure that you're still registered to Vote' document add to NCNC website
- Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 27th
- Our Annual Meeting is Thursday, 4/11/2024 ~ Breakfast from 7:30AM -8:30AM, Meeting from 8:30AM - 9:30AM at Mirasol
- Meeting adjourned by Sal Faso at 5:10PM