

NORTH COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION

Minutes

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 / 4:00PM / NCNC

Meeting called to order by Sal Faso

Location: The Club at IBIS 9055 Ibis Blvd WPB, FL 33412

IN ATTENDANCE

Member Community Delegates and Friends from Mirasol, IBIS, Ballenisles, The Isles, MMMA, Mirabella, Osprey Isles, Old Marsh, Montecito, Ancient Tree, Carleton Oaks, Avenir, PGA National, Baywinds, Preserve at Bay Hill, Rustic Lakes.

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- Local Government Officials, Community Leaders, and Business from Palm Beach County, Palm Beach Gardens and West Palm Beach.
- Presenters including:
 - Dominic Pape, PBG Police Chief
 - Tony Araujo, WPB Police Chief
 - Rosa Schechter, Avenir Development

NEW BUSINESS

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

- Opening Remarks from Sal included the following:
 - Introductions Officials, Candidates, Police Chiefs, and Businesses
 - Received approval for December Minutes
 - Received approval for February Treasurer Report
 - Information on Annual meeting on Thursday, April 10th. Breakfast from 7:30 to 8:15 AM. Meeting from 8:15 to 9:30 AM at IBIS.
 - Information on sponsorship levels:
 - Exclusive title sponsor
 - Diamond sponsorship
 - Platinum sponsorship
 - Contributor sponsorship
 - 2025 Municipal Election Day is Tuesday, March 11, 2025. Let's make or break our voting participation!

GUEST SPEAKERS

Dominic Pape, PBG Police Chief

• Dominic shared updates on Northcom 9-1-1 center's improvements, including dispatching for 6 police agencies to enhance efficiency. He highlighted the importance of community engagement and life skills education. The Police Department received new equipment: an Incident Command Vehicle for major incidents and a durable Emergency Response vehicle for severe conditions. In 2024, 755 traffic stops were made on Northlake Blvd, and 2 unmarked units now patrol the route to target reckless driving. Dominic also urged people to protect their vehicles from theft. And watch out for crypto fraudulence.

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For more information this Presentation is posted on NCNC's Website

https://ncncpbc.org/our-meetings/

Tony Araujo, WPB Police Chief

• Tony discussed the importance of creating a value system for law enforcement to ensure consistent service from police officers in the county, as the average citizen expects timely, credible, value-driven, and professional service. Tony also emphasized that a significant part of the police job is public service, so a police officer should be accessible, approachable, and actively involved in addressing the problems and concerns of the community.

Rosa Schechter, Avenir Development

• Rosa discussed the reconstruction progress of the Publix building, which was damaged by the Milton tornado. The estimated completion date is Spring 2026. Other commercial buildings are currently under construction, and a group of confirmed tenants, including restaurants, salons, etc., has been secured. The goal is to open both the Publix and the commercial spaces at the same time. Rosa also spoke about the Avenir connector road — construction will begin in approximately two months and is expected to take around 18 months. The road is planned to have two lanes in each direction, a speed limit of 45 mph, and no traffic lights.

ADJOURMENT

Closing Remarks included the following:

- Annual meeting is coming! April 10th, IBIS
- Adjourned Meeting at 5:30 pm

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