



NORTH COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION

Minutes

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 / 4:00 PM / NCNC

Meeting called to order by Sal Faso

Location: The Club at IBIS, 9055 Ibis Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33412

IN ATTENDANCE

- Member Community Delegates and Friends from Mirasol, IBIS, Ballenises, The Isles, MMMA, Mirabella, Osprey Isles, Old Marsh, Montecito, Ancient Tree, Carleton Oaks, Avenir, PGA National, Preserve at Bay Hill, Frenchman's Reserve, Lang Management, Caloosa, The Oaks, Steeplechase.
- Local Government Officials, Community Leaders, and Business from Palm Beach County, Palm Beach Gardens and West Palm Beach.

Presenters including:

- Mel Pollock, Vice President of Engineering at The Corradino Group
- Dorothy Jacks, PBC Property Appraiser
- Dominick Pape, PBG Police Chief
- Robert Seay, PBG Police Officer
- Alexcia Cox, State Attorney for Florida's 15th Judicial Circuit

Introductions

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

- Opening Remarks from Sal included the following:
 - Introductions – Officials, Candidates, Police Chiefs, and Businesses

GUEST SPEAKERS

Mel Pollock, Vice President of Engineering at The Corradino Group

- Mel spoke about the SR 710 / Beeline highway project details and overall scope of work. He also discussed current and future activities within the project, which includes closing the CSX crossing at Northlake boulevard. Mel went into the details of the future closure – logistics, duration of the closure, detour route options and possible timeframes. Mel also gave detailed answers to all the audience's questions.

Dorothy Jacks, PBC Property Appraiser

- Dorothy presented updates on the Palm Beach County property tax system. She discussed homestead exemptions and the 3% tax cap for local property owners. Ms. Jacks also encouraged taxpayers to use the PAPA (Property Appraiser Public Access) website as a valuable resource for property tax information and updates. Additionally, Dorothy shared insights into how the tax rate is determined based on the taxable value of municipalities.

Dominick Pape, PBG Police Chief, Robert Seay, PBG Police Officer

- Palm Beach Gardens police officers spoke about online fraud and identity theft, highlighting the most common ways it can affect unsuspecting citizens. They

discussed how and why certain groups of people are targeted by scammers, how fraudsters now use AI to deceive even the most cautious individuals, and the dangers and pitfalls of using cryptocurrency. Officers also shared practical tips on how to protect yourself from becoming a victim of fraud. Additionally, they addressed a growing trend known as deed fraud, which targets homes that are fully paid off and valued at over a million dollars.

Alexcia Cox, State Attorney for Florida’s 15th Judicial Circuit
Stacey Ibarra, Deputy Chief Assistant

Alexia and Stacey discussed Florida ranking #2 in the U.S. for the number of online fraud complaints and financial losses in 2024, and what can be done from the prosecution side. Through collaboration with all Palm Beach County law enforcement agencies, a dedicated cybercrime unit was established to help recover funds for fraud victims. Senior fraud victims are now also protected by CAAVA (Coalition Against Abuse of Vulnerable Adults), which works closely with law enforcement agencies. Stacey spoke about the new injunction for protection against the exploitation of vulnerable adults, designed to safeguard them from financial abuse—particularly by scammers who are difficult to identify or track.

- **For more information these Presentations are posted on NCNC’s Website**
<https://ncncpb.org/our-meetings/>

ADJOURNMENT

- Next meeting is scheduled for September 16th at Mirasol country club.
Agenda – 1000 Friends of Florida; NCNC delegates orientation session.
- Adjourned Meeting at 6:30 pm