

ALLIANCE MEETING SUMMARY 5-4-22

Prior to the meeting, attendees got a real treat from the visiting PBSO Therapy Dogs which included a large fluffy "Goldendoodle." They all have sweet personalities and assist in vital duties. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Lori Vinikoor, President. Lori announced that she is working on property insurance issues by contacting our Florida legislators. This will be a big effort for the next Legislative Session. Additionally, she reported on the Big Apple Bazaar. The owners of the property have submitted plans for a Multiple Use Planned Development (MUPD) designation. The annual Alliance Breakfast will be held on June 3, 2022. Invitations were sent to all Presidents, Delegates, and Alternates There will be Zoom meetings during July and August with some interesting topics.

Fire Rescue Chief Pete Hund has been promoted to Division Chief, and so introduced the new PBC Fire Rescue Chief Patrick Kennedy who addressed the group.

U.S. Representative Lois Frankel spoke on her fall prevention initiative and sponsored bill. She alerted the group to the major costs, as well as pain, involved when one falls.

The program began with Palm Beach Sheriff's Office Major Christopher Keane addressing the audience followed by Chief Rob Sandt who paid homage and thanks to the men and women who help the community.

PBSO Sergeant Scott Yoder provided a video presentation of the dangers of speeding. Those who exceed the posted speed limits cause crashes, many of them fatal. The higher the speed, the higher the risk. Attempts to address speeding are not just tickets, but always the goal is to educate the public. Often that means posting warnings regarding speeding on the roadways. He shows a presence on the road with police motorcycles and patrol cars on the side of the streets and highways. Warnings and Citations are written for the speeders. Sgt. Yoder advised that drivers move their vehicles away from aggressive drivers, and, of course, wear seat belts. His video also showed problems with some commercial vehicles that could impact private car drivers negatively, especially if they are speeding.

Captain Levy of the Volunteers Against Scam Team (VAST) warned against many different types of scams. He advised that everyone should educate themselves against scams. Before doing anything 'Think first - React last'.

Chairman Joel Harris of the Shield Group made a presentation about association security. A video will be e mailed regarding this innovative technology.

The attendees were also able to view the Vehicle Homicide Unit, part of the motorcycle fleet, and S.W.A.T. vehicle outside of the Civic Center following the meeting.

The Alliance thanks PBSO and especially Major Keane, Captain Sandt, and all of the special teams that provided input for this informative meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Klausner, Secretary