

ALLIANCE MEETING SUMMARY August 3, 2022

The August 3, 2022 meeting of the Alliance of Delray was called to order on Zoom at 10 am by President Lori Vinikoor. She first alerted everyone that the next edition of the Alliance newsletter will contain information on Agricultural Reserve issues that will be discussed at the August 31, 2022 Board of County Commissioners meeting. PBC Sheriff's office Captain Rob Sandt then presented several programs sponsored by the Sheriff's Office. A suicide crisis lifeline has been established and can be immediately reached by dialing 988. Operation 'Hot Wheels' is functioning to catch speeders. He noted that automobile crashes have increased by 13%. Following a rash of stolen cars and the valuables inside the perpetrators seem to move on to Broward County. He reminded everyone to remove valuables and lock their cars.

Chief William Standsbury from Battalion 4 of PBC Fire Rescue noted that the call volume is up, especially noting the increases in traffic crashes. A particularly busy area is at Linton Blvd. and Jog Road.

County Commissioner Maria Sachs urged the Zoom audience to appear at the Commission meeting regarding the proposed building of several thousand new homes. She is urging smart development - not over development.

Karen Brill, Vice Chair of the PBC School Board, announced that Palm Beach County Schools achieved an 'A' rating!

Valerie Neilson, Executive Director of the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency, discussed the Agency's comprehensive plan to prioritize regional traffic flow in the Broward, Miami, and Palm Beach Counties. This includes providing safe access to public transportation and encouraging walking, bicycling, and using mass transit to reduce the number of automobiles on the roads. In Delray Beach, some of the planned improvements include expanding Atlantic Avenue and Lyons Road from 2 to 4 lanes and providing an extension of Flavor Pict Road. Timelines for these projects extend several years into the future.

Motasem Al-Turk, Director of the PBC Engineering & Public Works Traffic Division told the assemblage (via Zoom) that a coordinated system of traffic lights is being planned between Lyons Road and I-95. He welcomed questions by the audience and provided website information for additional clarification.

The meeting video is available on YouTube and can be accessed by visiting the Alliance's home page.

The next meeting of the Alliance will be held on September 7, 2022 at the South County Civic Center. Wendy Sartori-Link, PBC Election Supervisor, will be the featured speaker. Doors open at 9 am.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Klausner, Secretary
Alliance of Delray