

ALLIANCE OF DELRAY MEETING SUMMARY

April 5, 2023

President Lori Vinikoor announced that 2023/2024 dues collection is going well. All Presidents, Delegates, and Alternates of member organizations that have paid the dues will receive invitations to the Annual Breakfast which will take place at a local country club on Friday June 2, 2023. the featured speaker will be from Delray Medical Center.

Development

Development updates on the Delray Beach Golf Course Redevelopment and the Agricultural Reserve were provided. The Delray Beach City Commission postponed any further discussion to an unspecified future date and the County Commissioners did not vote to lift a conservation easement on the Brookside property in the Agricultural Reserve which is located north of and adjacent to the Delray Marketplace. Therefore, the property will remain zoned for agriculture for now.

First Responders

Lieutenant John Wink from PBSO indicated that the PBSO is continuing to write traffic citations to keep the roads safer. Focus will be along at the Atlantic Avenue intersection with Lyons Road, Jog Road and Military Trail. Chief Bill Stansbury, PBCFR reported 3,500 calls last month for Battalion 4..

Featured Program

The featured program was provided by Isami Ayala-Collazo, Director of Palm Beach County Facilities and Operations. The Department's mission is to operate and maintain County facilities and provide associated services to the County departments, Constitutional Officers, and the public. It serves primarily as a service organization for other PCB departments, including:

- Preventative and corrective maintenance, as well as replacement of equipment and related systems;
- Custodial, building support and landscaping services at designated buildings and sites;
- Facility related emergency response services after hours;
- Facility set up of shelters and the Special Care Unit in case of adverse weather conditions; and
- Manage the County's energy consumption and recycling program.

West /Delray Park Update from Facilities

- In 2000, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) acquired a 313 acre Siemens/Palm Beach Downs Property as part of an east coast buffer program for water management purposes.
- In 2006, the County entered into a 7 year lease with the SFWMD and extended renewals until 2021
- In 2021 a 10 year lease extension was suggested and now, until 2032 the lease has been extended.

Morikami Park/Ryokan

- In the 1970's George Morikami donated the right to the Museum and Gardens for public park uses. A Ryokan (Japanese hotel) is being developed on the property. In February 2023, Staff is clearing the path to requesting proposals for the Ryokan.

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Wednesday May 3, 2023, meeting will feature a presentation from Palm Beach County Building Department and Contractors Certification along with an overview of issues pertaining to Condos, HOAs and individual property owners.

Respectfully Submitted,
York Freund, Director