

**COBWRA DELEGATES MEETING
THE GROVE – AUGUST 16, 2017
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**



WELCOME

THE GROVE 1ST ALTERNATE DELEGATE CHET SUSSMAN and **HOA PRESIDENT MARILYN ALLWEISS** welcomed the Delegates to their community.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PRESIDENT MYRNA ROSOFF reported on a proposal GL Homes would be making to the School Board directly linking the GL Homes Proposal to Dismantle the Ag Reserve Master Plan to a donation of 100 acres of land and \$10 million to the School District. Rosoff explained that the non-binding commitment to the above donations would only be enacted if their Ag Reserve proposal is approved by the County.

**Note: The School Board accepted the proposal by a 6-1 vote at their August meeting with the understanding that such acceptance is not an endorsement of the GL Homes Proposal to Dismantle the Ag Reserve Master Plan.*

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT

GROWTH MANAGEMENT CHAIR STEVE OSEROFF presented the Aladdin project, a community with five home sites east of Lawrence Road, south of Gateway Boulevard. The Delegates voted to recommend approval of the project.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS

COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER reported that the discussion of the controversial Morningstar Project, proposed for the Delray Beach Ag Reserve, has been postponed for six months. Berger expressed concern about the long-term and irreparable negative impact on the Ag Reserve a project like Morningstar would create.

STATE ATTORNEY DAVE ARONBERG AND REPRESENTATIVE

LORI BERMAN jointly praised the Sober Homes Task Force and the Human Trafficking Task Force for the work they are doing in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department. They complimented COBWRA for the leadership provided by COBWRA for these programs, especially with regard to the Sober Homes Task Force, where 1st Vice President Phil Barlage represents COBWRA.

CONGRESSWOMAN LOIS FRANKEL visited COBWRA during the Congressional break. She thanked COBWRA for their work at the local level, recognized the importance of teachers in developing the next generation of community leaders, and acknowledged Senator John McCain for casting the vote to defeat the repeal of The Affordable Care Act.

Congresswoman Frankel expressed concern about the high

Frankel, continued

cost of drugs and offered several ideas for bringing down those costs, including enforcement of price gauging laws, allowing the government to negotiate better drug prices, enabling more generic drugs to be sold, and requiring drug companies to be more transparent.

COBWRA'S STRATEGIC PLAN

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR

STAN SHERMAN presented the 2017 COBWRA Strategic Plan.

COBWRA'S VISION

COBWRA STRIVES TO:

- Be the voice of the people living in unincorporated Palm Beach County in the West Boynton area, and
- Function as an "honorary municipality" to maintain our hometown as a highly desirable place in which to live, raise families, work and play.

COBWRA'S MISSION

COBWRA:

- Protects, preserves, and enhances the quality of life and property values in West Boynton, and
- Provides leadership toward positive and responsible development.
- Provides information, advocacy and interfaces with government to conserve and respect our sensitive eco-system and environment, and Leadership to secure our fair share of County revenue for necessities such as libraries, parks and community centers.

COBWRA'S VALUES

MEMBER COMMITMENT: We develop relationships that make a positive difference.

DIVERSITY: We value all segments of our community and encourage their active participation.

QUALITY: We provide focus and unparalleled service to deliver maximum value to our members.

INTEGRITY: We uphold the highest standards of integrity and character in all our actions.

TEAMWORK: We work together, across boundaries, to meet the needs of our members and improve the quality of life across the West Boynton area.

PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY: We are personally accountable for delivering on our commitments.

THE FUTURE

AG RESERVE: Preserve the Reserve!

COMMUNICATIONS/EDUCATION: Keep Improving!

COMMUNITY GROWTH:

- Responsible Development
- Expand fire/rescue/sheriff services/schools
- Ensure park, library get built!

STRONGER ADVOCACY:

- Preserve the Ag Reserve
- Fair Share of County Revenue
- Quality Education, Accountability