

COBWRA

COALITION OF BOYNTON WEST
RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATIONS

DELEGATES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS • CORAL LAKES • FEBRUARY 19, 2020

WELCOME

- **COBWRA PRESIDENT BETH RAPPAPORT** called the meeting to order, thanked **CORAL LAKES** for hosting the meeting' and recognized and thanked **BILL CAMPBELL** from **CAMPBELL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT** for sponsoring the breakfast.
- **CORAL LAKES DELEGATE BERNARD DOMBROWSKY** and **HOA PRESIDENT BEVERLY ROSENDORF** welcomed the delegates and guests to their newly refurbished clubhouse.



Pictured: Congresswoman Lois Frankel with President Beth Rappaport

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

CONGRESSWOMAN LOIS FRANKEL reported that the House of Representatives recently passed legislation to reduce drug prices and to address gun violence.

The House also passed a package of election reforms that would make Election Day a national holiday, remove dark money from politics and protect the voting process. All legislation has been sent to the Senate.

DISTRICT 3 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER KAREN BRILL reported that the School Board is monitoring potential legislation that would permit parents to have their children opt-out of certain courses that are now mandatory. She is also encouraging the Board to revisit the school calendar.

FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

PBSO CAPTAIN & COMMANDER SHAWN EASTMAN reported the tragic loss of three Deputies. PBSO is also working to disseminate information about various scams being thrust upon residents in the area.

PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE CHIEF REGINALD DUREN reported that the first responders are happy that new hiring is in process making it possible to have an additional person on response vehicles. Chief Duren also noted that new stations are being constructed, the department is working toward earning a *Class 1* designation, and they continue their efforts to educate about the environment and cancer prevention.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE CHAIR SHARON REUBEN thanked the committee members for their work in selecting the following proposed slate of officers for 2020/2021: President: BETH RAPPAPORT (Colony Preserve); 1st VP: BARBARA ROTH (Bellaggio); 2nd VP: STEVE WALLACE (GreyStone); Treasurer: STEVE KIRSCHNER (Tuscany Bay); Secretary: Cheryl Dodes (Valencia Isles). With no floor nominations being offered, the slate, as proposed, will be formally elected at the March 18th Delegates meeting.

Highlights by Bruce Brodsky and Sharon Reuben

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PRESIDENT BETH RAPPAPORT

- Reported on the COBWRA legislative team's trip to Tallahassee for Palm Beach County Days, lobbying on issues regarding the environment, fracking and well drilling, Purple Alerts (senior citizens), increasing teacher and mental health professionals' pay, and opposing legislation that would pre-empt local government from controlling vacation rentals.
- Announced that the first COBWRA-sponsored Buddy Bench was installed at Starlight Cove Elementary School.
- The Water and Wetlands Symposium was a huge success with 120 people in attendance.
- The next COBWRA-sponsored CANYON TOWN CENTER CONCERT SERIES will be held on March 7, 2020.

AG RESERVE COMMITTEE REPORT

AG RESERVE COMMITTEE CHAIR/PAST PRESIDENT MYRNA ROSOFF reported that the Lake Worth Drainage District is proposing to sell its canal rights of way to developers as preserve land for \$24 million. The sale would result in the construction of hundreds of additional homes in the Ag Reserve, putting additional stress on already overcrowded roads and schools.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT STEVE SLADE presented Certus Memory Care, a 64-bed CLF facility proposed for a site on Woolbright Road west of Jog Road. The Growth Management Committee and the Executive Board recently voted to recommend approval of the project, with the following conditions:

- More varied elevation in the architecture
- Deliveries and dumpster moved closer to Woolbright Road
- Possible use of Garbage Compactor
- Limiting time of day for trash pickup and deliveries to the building (No earlier than 9:00 a.m. and no later than 5:00 p.m.)
- Landscaping – add annuals and more tropical vegetation to all sides of the building
- Color scheme for building and signage to be in keeping with new residential trends
- Gray slate-like roof

An amendment to the recommended *Conditions* was offered as follows: *to add a Condition to the above list to require a solid six foot fence on the west and south sides of the property.* Both the amendment and the main motion were approved by the Delegates.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

DROWNING PREVENTION COALITION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY MANAGER ANNA STEWART discussed, S.U.R.E., a program teaching people *How to Escape A Sinking Vehicle.*



Pictured (l-r) President Beth Rappaport, Battalion Chief Terrel Patterson, PBCFR Fire Marshal David DeRita, Anna Stewart, Fire Rescue Administrator Chief Reginald Duren