

DELEGATES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS • BELLAGGIO • JANUARY 15, 2020

WELCOME

- **COBWRA 1st V.P. and BELLAGGIO DELEGATE BARBARA ROTH** called the meeting to order and thanked Bellaggio for hosting the meeting and sponsoring the breakfast. **BELLAGGIO PRESIDENT PAM ROTHMAN** then welcomed the Delegates and thanked COBWRA, the First Responders, and the Elected Officials for all of the work they do on behalf of Bellaggio.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

- Due to Palm Beach County Days in Tallahassee, our elected officials were not in attendance at the meeting.

FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

- **PBSO LT. NICOLE ADDAZIO** reported that more than 22,000 pounds of materials were shredded at their recent shredding event and an additional truck will be scheduled for next year. She also reported that residential and vehicle burglaries have decreased 50% and warned people to be aware that persons alleging to be workers representing utility companies are showing up at people's homes seeking entry to make repairs. These alleged workers proceed to rob the residents. The Sheriff's Office is sponsoring an active shooter training event in April.
- **PBC FIRE RESCUE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER LANCE BERKOWITZ** reported that Chief Reginald Duren has hired 90 new first responders with the goal of reducing response time to all emergencies.

NEW MEMBER

- The Delegates voted to welcome **EQUUS** as COBWRA's newest member.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- The President's Report was presented by Barbara Roth on behalf of **PRESIDENT BETH RAPPAPORT** who was in Tallahassee for Palm Beach County Days. President Rappaport expressed appreciation to Bellaggio for hosting the meeting and sponsoring the breakfast.
- COBWRA's Buddy Benches are underway for Starlight Cove and Hidden Oaks Elementary Schools.
- The Canyon Town Center concert series, with COBWRA as a participating sponsor, kicked off January 4th, with a Sinatra night. The next concert is Saturday, Feb. 1st.
- The Government Affairs Committee worked diligently to prepare for the Tallahassee trip.
- The Fundraising committee did a soft kickoff for the 40th Anniversary Gala planned for June 11, 2021, to be held at Benvenuto by offering the right of first refusal to the past Gala sponsors. A formal kickoff will follow soon.

Highlights by Bruce Brodsky and Sharon Reuben

ELECTION OF THE 2020 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- The Delegates elected the following individuals to serve on the 2020 Nominating Committee: **STEPHANIE MELROSE** (Mizner Falls), **MYRNA ROSOFF** (Aberdeen), **SHELIA FOREM** (Valencia Isles), **STEVE WOLFBERG** (Valencia Pointe), and **SHARON REUBEN** (Valencia Isles) Sharon Reuben was appointed to serve as temporary chair.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT

GROWTH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR STEVE OSEROFF presented two projects:

- **TOWN COMMONS** on Hypoluxo Road east of Lyons Road. This proposal requires rezoning from Medical Offices to Commercial. The Delegates recommended approval of the proposal with the following conditions:
 - That Palm Beach County consider installing a traffic light along Hypoluxo Road due to extreme safety concerns
 - That the drive-thru for the Type 1 restaurant be eliminated
 - That the monument sign on Hypoluxo Road be moved.
- **SELF-STORAGE FACILITY** on Military Trail north of Hypoluxo Road. The Delegates voted to recommend approval of the project with the conditions that the colors of the new buildings be compatible with those of the existing structures, and the character of the sign to have a residential tone.

Mr. Oseroff made a brief informational presentation regarding expansion of the Bethesda Hospital West campus.

PRESENTATION

BRIGHTLINE'S CHIEF OF STAFF, ALI SOULE spoke about the Car-Free Way to Travel South Florida and presented Virgin Trains' plans to eventually run trains from Miami to Orlando and then to Tampa and the building of stations in Miami, Ft. Lauderdale, Aventura, Boca Raton, West Palm Beach and northward.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! 

FEBRUARY 11, 2020: Water & Wetlands

Symposium: WaterWise and Why – Quality, Quantity, and Conservation.

Tuscany Bay Clubhouse. Exhibits open and sign in begins at 5:30 p.m. Program begins at 6:30 p.m.

MARCH 5, 2020: Health & Wellness Symposium: Aging is Good...Considering the Alternative

Jamaica Bay Clubhouse.

Refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Program begins at 7:00 p.m.