

COBWRA

COALITION OF BOYNTON WEST
RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATIONS

DELEGATES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS • SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 • VIA TELECONFERENCE CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

SENATOR LORI BERMAN

- Problems with unemployment insurance and small businesses continue, but to a lesser degree.
- Please continue precautions regarding COVID-19.
- To those celebrating, wishes a Happy, Healthy New Year.

REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH CASELLO

- Overall, COVID-19 cases are down, but PBC is seeing increases in cases of those aged 18-34.
- There has not been an announcement yet as to when and how the legislature will convene.
- The State deficit is significant.

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE KAREN BRILL

- Students in Pre-K through Grade 12, self-contained ESE programs and ESE special schools can return to campus beginning today, September 16.
- Brick and mortar campuses reopen to all students on Monday, Sept 21. Only about half of the students are planning to return.
- Be aware of school buses, as campuses reopen.
- To those celebrating, wishes a Happy, Healthy, New Year.

COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER AND TAX COLLECTOR ANNE GANNON

- Were unable to attend the meeting but send their regards.

FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

PBSO MAJOR CHRISTOPHER KEENE

- PBSO is appreciative of the continuing support of COBWRA.
- Thanks to Sheriff Bradshaw for his leadership.
- Explained that the Jacob's Shoes program, coordinated by Lt. Adazzio and Abby Bernstein, collected 280 pairs of shoes and 1,500 pairs of socks for kids.
- Be cautious of the many unsolicited phone and on-line scams asking seniors for money and/or help. Don't become a victim - Hang up!

PBC FIRE RESCUE BATTALION CHIEF ANTHONY TOZZI

- Emergency calls have not dipped significantly.
- Seeing significant numbers of cases of prescription drug interactions causing falls during the night. Double check with your physician if you are taking Ambien and Lasix.
- Increase in senior citizen texting while driving accidents.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

BETH RAPPAPORT ON BEHALF OF DONALD E. FENNOY II, ED.D

- All schools will reopen on Monday, 9/21.
- Parents will have the choice of students attending class or continuing distance learning.
- Students and staff will adhere to CDC guidelines by being required to wear masks and adhere to social distancing.
- For more info: palmbeachschools.org/ReopeningSchools.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIR STEVE WALLACE

- The "Meet the Candidates Forum" will be held on Thursday, October 1 at 6:30 PM by teleconference call.
- All candidates for state and county offices in the COBWRA area will participate, along with Palm Beach Soil & Water Conservation District Candidates.
- Go to <https://cobwraoct1forum.eventbrite.com> to register for the event.

COBWRA SERVICE AREA GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES							
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United States Congress District 21		State Senate District 29		State Senate District 31		Palm Beach County Sheriff	
State House District 81		State House District 90		State House District 91		Palm Beach County Tax Collector	
County Commission District 3		County Commission District 5		Palm Beach County Clerk & Comptroller		ALSO ON THE BALLOT	
					CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE GROUP 38: Jaimie Goodman vs. Adam Myron		PHOTO NOT AVAILABLE
						PALM BEACH SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT: GROUP 2: Audrey Friedrich & Ann Marie Serrilli	
						GROUP 3: Chad Alvarez, Adam Barr, Nicholas O'Neal & Jon Shaw	
						GROUP 4: Rob Long & Candace Rojas	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – BETH RAPPAPORT

- Announced that the COBWRA Directory will be published in two parts; the first part, containing general information, will be available online and will be updated after the General Election. The second part has private information and will be mailed to each COBWRA delegate and alternate in October. Flyers from local businesses will be included in the mailer envelope. This enables us to take advantage of the benefits of sponsorship without compromising our confidential mailing list.
- All COBWRA member communities annual dues are paid.
- The website will be getting a facelift in the future.
- Remember to complete your part of the 2020 CENSUS.

FEATURED PRESENTATION

Palm Beach County Office of Equal Opportunity and a Guide to Fair Housing - Presented by Pam Guerrier, Director, PBC Palm Beach County Office of Equal Opportunity

- Ms. Guerrier gave an overview of the laws and jurisdictional boundaries that guide the office.
- She explained the Guide to Fair Housing and spoke about the types of complaints that her office deals with.
- Share the presentation with your communities.
- For more information: Phone - (561) 355-4883, Fax - (561) 355-4932, Website - www.pbcgov.com/equalopportunity

Next Meeting:

October 21, 2020 • 9:30 AM • Via Teleconference

Highlights by Bruce Brodsky and Debbie Murphy