

ALLIANCE OF DELRAY RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATIONS

MEETING SUMMARY – December 2, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Alliance of Delray was called to order on Zoom at 10 am by Lori Vinikoor, Executive Vice President. President Bob Schulbaum welcomed the virtual assemblage. The group was reminded that the Alliance was sponsoring a Zoom certification course given by Joshua Gerstin for community board members and aspiring board members. There is no cost to Alliance members for the course. Course Date: Thursday January 14, 2021 Time: 6-8 PM. Contact Exec. VP Lori Vinikoor at mail vinikoor@bellsouth.net or message 561-715-1530 to register.

Captain Rob Sandt of the PBC Sheriff's Office was pleased to announce that crime in the area is down. But, he explained, the holiday season often bring an increase. For that reason, extra patrols have been assigned and helicopters are being used to monitor the area. He again reminded everyone to make sure their cars are locked at all times, and to lock valuables out of sight.

Fire Chief Anthony Tozzi gave 10 safety tips for the upcoming holidays, primarily concerning potential electrical problems. He urged the audience to check electrical connections and make certain there is no overload, no frayed cords, a surge limit and other hazards. He specifically mentioned that in case of a fire in the oven, keep the oven door closed and call the fire department.

State Senator Lori Berman provided an update. She is getting bills ready to be considered by the Senate. She urged people to be safe, since 10% of Palm Beach County has been afflicted by Covid-19. State Senator Tina Polsky thanked the membership of the Alliance for their support. Representative Kelly Skidmore spoke about her plans for her term and her accessibility. PBC Commission Vice Mayor Robert Weinroth urged everyone to follow the rules for keeping Covid-19-free: Get tested, wear a mask, socially distance, and get the vaccine when it becomes available. Commissioner Mack Bernard greeted the members and also urged compliance with the precautions. Commissioner Maria Sachs wished everyone a good, healthy and safe holiday.

Sophia Eccleston, Senior External Affairs Manager for Florida Power & Light emphasized that FP&L still remains hurricane vigilant, even though it is already December. She explained that although there are three energy companies in Florida, FPL is the largest. Under the direction of FPL, electricity in Florida is the cleanest, most reliable and affordable in the state. The energy grid is the most reliable and bills are lower than they were years ago. With their innovative technology they are the most cost-efficient energy provider in the USA. In addition, FPL provides many services to their communities, such as assisting Covid19 afflicted customers with financial help, and supporting children, education, and small businesses.

Shawn Reed, Public Information Services Manager for the PBC Water Utilities District, addressed the audience. He assured everyone that there is NO threat to our drinking tap water – that it is of good quality and poses no threat from Covid-19.

The video of the meeting can be viewed by visiting the Alliance website home page and clicking on the video.

The next meeting of the Alliance will take place on January 6, 2021. Alliance attorney Joshua Gerstin is planning to present information on opening of clubhouses and Associations handling issues in this unprecedented time of COVID-19.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Submitted by

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