



CFLCA General Membership Meeting
1st Floor Conference Room
Tuesday, January 17th at 6:30 PM
Minutes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL- Mary Peloquin, Cathy Stubbs, Dennis Ulmer, Frankie Lane, Marilyn Mammano , Jim Concannon, Michael Albetta , Melinda Bowker, Abby Laughlin, Colleen Lockwood

1. Speakers

- a. **County Commissioner Lamar Fisher – Increase in Commuter Train Service. We would like for BSO to continue its 911 call center with an improved technology component. \$11.5 million was given to fill vacancies in the call center. The homeless initiative now includes doctors to assist in getting them back on medication, free cell phone service is available for them to be able to check vacancies for shelters and to aid them in the help they need. \$14 million has been set aside for affordable housing. Thirty-two million passengers moved through the airport this past year. Disney cruise has its first ship to be based in Port Everglades. The Commuter/Rail system will vote on in a special session on Jan. 24 Questions: The grade level traffic at 2 trains per hour is too much. We need a new comprehensive plan, and it needs to be re- addressed. A lot of valid points were made to address this problem.**
- b. **City Manager Greg Chavarria – Funding resources regarding Commuter Train Service issues. We looked at equity, inclusion, and operating cost, Waiting to see when the grants will be rewarded for economic development. All questions were addressed regarding tunnel vs bridges. A 17th Street bypass road to the airport will be ready when the new Convention Center hotel is complete.**
- c. **Neighborhood Support Team Formal Introduction - Luisa Agathon, Neighbor Support Manager Working on rebranding our name and community connectors. They work with the school board and CFLCA. Join us on Feb. 16 for neighbor support night at 5:30-8pm . Question: Can the NCIP points be used as money to apply to neighborhood improvement projects? Luisa will investigate.**
**Junia Robinson, Assistant Neighbor Support
Manager Zoie Sounders, Chief Education Officer
Jorg Hruschka, Chief Service Officer
Lisette Palmero, Homeless Initiatives Program Manager**
- d. **Taskforce for Ending Homelessness- Ten Minute Presentation-Jacob Torner, Vice President -Outreach teams are out daily from 6:30am -8 pm to assist in getting people in emergency shelters. Case managers are working on getting them in their own home, but we need more affordable housing. A homeless database is also available as the TaskForce is trying to partner with the hospitals.**

2. Council Business

- a. **Nominating Committee- Dennis will present a slate of officers at the next meeting. Check the website and bylaws for more information.**
- b. **Quarterly Socials- Theme “WE are Fort Lauderdale” District 2 will host the first social. Information forth coming. Need volunteers for Neighbor Support Night.**
- c. **Social Media Expansion- We are still in need of a volunteer for this position.**

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES General Membership Meeting October 11, 2022 and December 13, 2022 * Marilyn made motion and second by Abby. Minutes approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT \$8,987.20

OLD BUSINESS - Council dues are due on March 31,2023

FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

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*Indicates voting items or **may** be a voting

item Next Board Meeting January 23, 2023

Next General Membership Meeting February 14, 2023

Purpose: Focus on the issues relating to preservation of the present and future welfare of the City of Fort Lauderdale and its neighborhoods and citizens, be proactive and reactive to those issues, communicate any recommendations to the proper authorities, strive to improve communication and create a stronger partnership between City Government and the neighborhoods.

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