



**CFLCA General Membership Meeting**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room on Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30 PM**  
**Minutes**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

**ROLL CALL** Mary Pelican, Marilyn Mammano, Michael Albetta, Christine Jones, Jim Concannon, Melinda Bowker, Dennis Ulmer, Abby Laughlin, Bill Brown, Dr. JJ Rajter, Lynne Winters, Cathy Stubbs

**SPEAKERS and GUESTS**

**1. Speakers**

- a. Fort Lauderdale Police – Sgt Pekrol and Officer Herring-Introduced himself, his colleagues in attendance. Feel free to ask questions or if there are any concerns in your neighborhoods.
- b. Fort Lauderdale Fire Chief Stephen Gollan-gave introduction and spoke a little about the department. Question & Answers: Q: What is your main concern? A: Being able to respond in a timely manner and to provide citizens with the level of service they deserve Q: With the recent increase of high risers downtown is there special training? A: Training starts at the design phase of the building and continues. Q: How long does it take to answer a call? A: The goal is to be there within six minutes. Q: Are you hiring new recruits? Q: Yes, continuous and we look out of state too. Check the website for more information.
- c. Brian Blount, Homeless Outreach Officer- Luisa introduced Mr. Blount. The main concern is to focus on providing services to the homeless and get them connected and end this cycle.
- d. Carl Falconer, Taskforce Force for Ending Homelessness-This non-profit organization provides outreach services 365 days a year and the response time is less than a day. The hope program provides services for individuals 60 and older with small homes setting 9 people in a home. 105 people was placed in housing last year. For more information, please call 954 525-3494.
- e. Lisette Woskobochnik-Palmero, City of Ft. Lauderdale Program Manager Homeless Initiatives- This team unifies the homeless with their families from other states. Community court is held every Wednesday at City Hall. The homeless get free bus passes, shower bus, and a mobile health van provided by Broward Health for any medical needs. We need more HOA's to provide lunch or donate \$75.00 to the cost of the meals. 31 permanent houses were made. WE are working on a homeless advisory committee. Ms. Palmero is willing to give presentations to any HOA. Please call for more information AS needed.

**2. Council Business**

- a. Second Quarterly Social at Smitty's Wings on Sistrunk - May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023- the board will meet at 5pm before the social. Please join us for great social and meet your neighbors. Any questions contact Michael Albetta.
- b. 2023 -2024 Membership Dues and Applications were due by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. 34 paid neighborhoods to date. Make sure you update your applications.
- c. P3 Committee – Marilyn Mammano-The latest draft was sent to the city attorney today and information will be bought back to the neighborhoods.

**REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** General Membership Meeting March 14, 2023\* Motion made by Bill Brown to approve and seconded by Paul Renneisen.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** \$9,383.00

**OLD BUSINESS**

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY**

**ADJOURN: 7:55 pm** Motion to adjourn by Lynne Winters and second by Melinda Bowker

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

Next Board Meeting April 24th, 2023

Next General Membership Meeting May 9, 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. **For More Information:** <https://cflca.org>