

NEW ASSOCIATION TREASURER

A big warm welcome and THANK YOU to April Lundgren who has volunteered to be the Association Treasurer. April and her family have been landowners and residents of Palm Beach Country Estates for almost 20 years. April is a CPA and the Officers and members of the Association are excited that she is on board.

She replaces Bob Schneider who has served very honorably and diligently since 2017. Bob has been a huge asset to the Association and the Palm Beach Country Estates community being one of the very first families to move to this area in 1977, one of the handful of remaining

residents living in PBCE longer than the Berman Family! "THANK YOU!", to Bob Schneider for his service to the Association.

CODES FOR GROUP HOMES TO BE REVISED

By the time of receipt of this August 2021 Newsletter, Palm Beach County is likely to have adopted a completely revised Land Development Code in regard to Group Homes in Palm Beach County. Significant changes to the former code to include more and better licensing criteria along with improved systems for compliance.

Both Federal and State laws guarantee the right of housing for disabled in single and multi-family zoning areas. This includes Palm Beach Country Estates. Under the new code a group home will be allowed by right for a maximum of 6 residents provided that they are located no closer than 1,200 feet to another group home. There is an application process available that could allow an increase to 10 residents with the required approval by the Board of County Commissioners. Presently there are three approved group homes in Palm Beach Country Estates. Two of those home have been previously approved for 10 residents and one home for 5 residents. The most controversial type of housing is for homes that are very temporary in nature where residents stay for a time of less than 1 year. From past experience, there has been little to no problem with groups homes for residents that are "long term", defined as 1 year or longer. The Palm Beach Country Estates Landowners Association, Inc remains opposed to group homes that house residents for less than 1 year. This is called Transitional Family Housing. It operates more like an extended stay motel and does not integrate with the nature and character of Palm Beach Country Estates. These are supposed to be essential elements for the establish-

PBCELA Meeting Minutes

The July 2021 meeting of the Palm
Beach Country Estates Landowners
Association was held in the park on
July 13, 2021. There were approx.
2 dozen landowners present. The
board of directors formally appointed April
Lundgren CPA to the position of Treasurer left
vacant with the retirement of Bob Schneider.
Ken Trapasso reported on the success of the



TREASURER'S REPORT as of 8/11/2021

PBCE

Operating Account \$27,285.12 General Fund

Save Our Sidewalks \$ 3,761.54 Balance

Community Legal Fund \$2,256.22

(Detailed reports available at regular meetings and at www.pbce.org)

18 years ago, we moved to this neighborhood because we wanted the best environment to raise our family. It was one of our best decisions. I volunteered to become the PBCELA Treasurer as I believe my background will serve our community well. I am a CPA with experience in accounting for common area maintenance and I believe this is the perfect opportunity to give back to such a great community! Kindest Regards, April Lundgren



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GOLF CARTS VS LOW-SPEED VEHICLES

Are you driving a golf cart or a low-speed vehicle on PBCE streets? Do you know the difference between the two? Golf carts and low-speed vehicles generally look the same, but under Florida law, they are not the same thing. The distinction is important because one may be legal for street use, but the other (a golf cart) is not. Using the wrong vehicle not only may be dangerous, but it is definitely illegal. You could be cited by police if stopped or involved in a golf cart crash. Know the law and follow all safety requirements. By law, golf carts are also NEVER allowed on SIDEWALKS.

Golf carts are NOT low-speed vehicles. LOW-SPEED VEHICLES as defined by Florida law are "any four-wheeled vehicle whose top speed is greater than 20 miles per hour but does not exceed 25 miles per hour." They may be operated only on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 MPH or less. Low speed vehicles can cross over other streets with a higher speed limit, but may not drive on them directly. Any person operating a low-speed vehicle must be registered and insured with Personal Injury Protection and Property Damage Liability. A low-speed vehicle must be equipped with: Headlamps, Front and rear turn signals, Taillamps, break lights, Reflex reflectors one each side and on exterior mirrors, Side and interior mirrors, Parking brake, Windshield, Seatbelts for each designated seat, and display a vehicle identification number.

GOLF CARTS are defined as a motor vehicle that is designed for operation on a



golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and is not capable of exceeding 20 miles per hour. Consequently, the state and local requirements for safety equipment don't apply. Florida law allows the operation of a golf cart on public roads only when the specific road being used has been officially designated for golf cart use by the local government. No streets in PBCE have such official designation, so the use of a golf cart on any road in Palm Beach Country Estates is illegal. Unmodified golf carts are not titled or registered, so they are not required to be insured with personal injury protection or property damage liability, and that's another reason they don't belong on the road.

COP (Community Observer Patrol) unit to be reactivated



After a shut-down beginning April 2020, the Palm Beach County Sheriff will soon be reactivating the COP program county wide. During this period Palm Beach Country Estates has lost more than 8 of the original volunteers for this program.

When activated Palm Beach Country Estates will have a new FORD Fusion to use for patrol. The new car has less than 3,000 miles and will be based at the Church of God and Prophecy Community Church located at 6641 Donald Ross Rd. New additional volunteers are desperately needed to patrol in the new car. If you know someone or if you have the time and interest in the program, please contact PBSO for more information.

Palm Beach County Sheriff Volunteer Services Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Sheriff Ris L. Bradshaw The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office established the volunteer program in 1989. The program has grown to over 3,500 citizens serving as the "eyes and ears" throughout unincorporated Palm Beach County. Volunteers also serve in many administrative departments across the agency, from vehicle maintenance to the crime lab to assisting detectives. We hope you will consider being a part of our award winning organization where you can utilize your own life skills and learn some new ones, while feeling the pride of being part of the PBSO family. Volunteering not only fosters a great feeling of accomplishment, it helps your community become a safer place. the Citizen Observer Patrol (COP) is a volunteer unit of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. The program is comprised of over 80 individual COP units to meighborhoods much like your own. Volunteers wear distinctive uniforms and drive specially marked whiches. To Volumbeer of P3501 Each COP vehicle is equipped with a radio and police Nunteer Emergency Response Team (VERT) 24/7 Call-out commitment Travel county wide Able to stand in all weather conditions for hours Direct traffic on major roadways Attend monthly meetings and training 561-433-2003

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ment of group homes anywhere. However, it
will take a change to State Statutes to provide
for a prohibition to this type housing in singlefamily neighborhoods. It remains the position
of the Palm Beach Country Estates Landowners
Association, Inc. along with a recommendation from the expert consultant hired by Palm
Beach County that Transitional Family housing
(for residents staying less than 1 year) should
only be allowed and provided in multi-family
zoned neighborhoods.

The Association will continue its efforts to support group homes for long term residents while working to affect a change in the law to provide housing for Transitional Family housing only in multi-family zoned neighborhoods.

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4th of July parade (longest route & most vehicles in history) and the picnic at the park. Tim Brown and Christine Reinhardt reported on the fundraising effort for a new Pickleball Court and Frisbee Golf course at the park. Gary Johnson reported on the on-going effort to have Turnpike sound walls.



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RECENT HOME SALES IN PALM BEACH COUNTRY ESTATES:



7422 154th Ct N Sold on 7/30/2021 for \$850,000

4 Beds/3 Baths/2-Car Garage 2,884sf Living/3,917sf Total Built in 1982, CBS Construction 1.32-acre Lot, Pool



4 Beds/2.5 Bath/2 Car Garage 2,569sf Living/3,731sf Total Area Built in 1994, CBS Construction 1.15-acre Lot, Pool



3 Beds/2 Baths/No Garage 1,710sf Living/2,110sf Total Area Built in 1986, Frame Construction 1.29-acre lot, Pool

15611 76th Trl N Sold on 7/12/2021 for \$605,500

3 Beds/2 Baths/2-car Garage 1,836sf Living/2,695sf Total Area Built in 1979, Frame Construction 1.15-acre Lot, Pool

16389 74th Ave N Sold on 7/9/2021 for \$665,000

5 Beds/3 Baths/2-car Garage 2,448sf Living/3,672sf Total Built in 1988, CBS/Frame-Stucco Const 1.15-acre Lot, Pool, Guest House



8349 150th Ct N Sold on 7/6/2021 for \$875,000

4 Beds/3 Bath/3 Car Garage 2,877sf Living/4,057sf Total Area Built in 1992, Frame/Stucco Construction 1.19-acre Lot, Pool



6902 150th PI N Sold on 6/25/2021 for \$500,000

3 Beds/3 Baths/Carport 2,316sf Living/3,290sf Total Area Built in 1981, Frame Construction 1.15 acre lot



15860 82nd Ter N Sold on 6/18/2021 for \$520,000

4 Beds/2 Baths/2-car Garage 1,769sf Living/2,565sf Total Area Built in 1984, Frame Construction 1.17-acre Lot



Parcel P-234, 77th Trl N Parcel P-93, 77th Trl N Parcel Q-281, 83rd Way N Parcel Y-11, 159th Ct N Parcel Q-177, 86th Way N Parcel P-400, 160th St N Parcel P-53, 168th Ct N Parcel Q-402, 85th Way N Parcel P-30, 169th Ct N Sold on 8/12/2021 for \$368,000 Sold on 8/6/2021 for \$360,000 Sold on 5/14/2021 for \$325,000 Sold on 5/7/2021 for \$385,000 Sold on 4/16/2021 for \$267,000 Sold on 4/15/2021 for \$235,000 Sold on 4/8/2021 for \$210,000 Sold on 3/19/2021 for \$230,000 Sold on 3/10/2021 for \$275,000

Source: MLS

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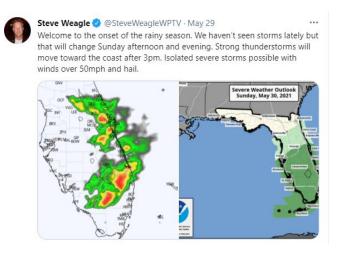
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Next Association Meeting
Sept 14th 6 PM (Not at Living Oaks)
Meeting will held be at Margaret
Berman Memorial Park.

To be added to the PBCELA website Who's Who list, email pbcegroup@gmail.com your PBCE resident owned business contact information.

Got Our First Taste Of Summer Storms

Will Your **Roof** Hold Up? Your **Windows**?



Aug. 2021 – On top of everything else it brought us the year 2020 saw the longest latest **rainy season** in recent memory! Palm Beach County spent most of it under flood watch because so much rain had soaked the ground there was nowhere for it to go.

We had a nice rest, but that time is here again you can feel it in the air. Will your <u>roof</u> hold up to the pounding? How about your <u>windows</u>? (Impact windows are energy efficient to help those summer AC bills and reduce noise as well!)

Every year we are flooded with calls of people who waited until the absolute last minute to try and schedule a **Roofing** project or an **Impact Window and Door** installation. This year is worse!

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