

FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Palm Beach County April 7, 2017

The following members were in attendance:

Eric Hellstrom	St. John's County	President
Joe Peloquin	Palm Beach County	VP / Central
Joe Westerman	Manatee County	VP / West
Andrew Ritchie	St Lucie County	VP / North
Phil Wotton	Delray Beach	VP / Central / Treasurer
Gerry Falconer	Miami Beach	USLA SER President
Jo Wagenhals	Pompano Beach	USLA SER Treasurer
Luis Andrade	Miami-Dade	
Luiz Morizot	Miami-Dade	
Brad Beckett	Martin County	
Patrick Bradford	Clearwater	
Bruce Wilkie	Hollywood	
Rob Caldwell	Lantana	Retired / Life Member
Bob Maler	Miami-Dade	Retired / Life Member
Jim Kehl	Pompano Beach	Retired / Life Member
Wyatt Werneth	Brevard County	Retired

The following guests were in attendance:

Jeremy Watkins	St. Johns County	USLA SER Secretary
Mike Rosenberg	St. Johns County	

Members who notified absence in advance:

Tom Fogan	Fort Lauderdale	Retired / Life Member
Mike Huck	Dania Beach	

Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 10:00am by E.Hellstrom who thanked Gerry Falconer for securing the meeting location.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Bob Maler made a motion to approve the March University of Miami minutes. With a few corrections (add Colin Schmidt), Joe Westerman second and the minutes were approved.

Communications & New Business combined.

- Rob Caldwell circulated several news articles relating to beach events and news reports.
- The Florida Fire Chiefs Association has agreed for the FBPCA to form a Committee. After discussion it was decided that the FBPCA will be the committee for the FFCA. J. Westerman made the motion and Andy Ritchie seconded, it was voted on and passed unanimously. It was also noted that there will be a FFCA section in all agendas to discuss any pertinent information.
- Discussion on the Life Rescue Project monopole stations.

Officer Reports

Eric Hellstrom - President:

- Deferred report due to time constraints.

Phil Wotton: VP / Central - Treasurer

- Balance: \$7,544.96, This number reflects those who have paid for the banquet and will return to pre banquet number following this evening.

Joe Peloquin: VP / Central

- Palm Beach County has completed two (2) dredges in recent months.

Joe Westerman: VP / West

- Deferred report

USLA Report – deferred to USLA meeting directly following

FBPCA / USLA Awards Banquet:

- **Banquet will be held at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Garden**
- **Jo Wagenhals had printed the brochures**
- **Final headcount as of meeting time: 157**
- **Jo Peloquin will handle the 50/50 awards**
- **Wyatt Werneth is donating a paddleboard for a separate raffle**
- **Determined that the 50/50 will go toward the C. Knueschafer Jr. LG fund and the Paddleboard raffle will be designated for Jr. LG**
- **Agenda was discussed and awards assigned**

2016 FBPCA AWARDS

Heroic Act:

- **Christina-Gillin Tice**
- **Greg Larson**

Meritorious Act:

- **Mike Rosenberg**

Life Member:

- **Bob Maler**

2016 Lifeguard of The Year:

- **Lawrence Russell** **Palm Beach County**

2016 Beach Patrol of the Year:

- **Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue.**

2017 Monthly Schedule

- May 17th - St Lucie County
- June 14th - Miami-Dade County
- July 17th (Monday) Delray Beach
- August 8th (Tuesday) Daytona Beach
- September 13th - Dania Beach
- October 13th (Friday) St John's County
- November 15th - Indian River County
- December 13th - Deerfield Beach

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Eric Hellstrom, second by Jo Wagenhals.
Meeting adjourned at 12 noon and USLA meeting followed

Next meeting:

Wednesday, May 17th St. Lucie County

St. Lucie County Emergency Operation Center
15305 W. Midway Rd.
Ft. Pierce Fl. 34945

Directions to St. Lucie County Meeting

Take I-95 Exit 129 Okeechobee Road FL 70 West toward Okeechobee, after approximately 7 miles turn left onto West Midway Road