WELCOME
SECOND ALTERNATE DELEGATE ROBERTA CAROL introduced the CLUBHOUSE MANAGER/SOCIAL DIRECTOR MARSHA DECKER who welcomed the Delegates and Guests to The Grove.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
PRESIDENT PHI BARLAGE:
Announced the resignation of SECOND VICE PRESIDENT NIKKI DESCOTEAX as a result of a family issue. The Board voted unanimously to appoint DEBBIE MURPHY to complete Nikki’s term.

Barlage also reported that the BOARD HAS UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO OPPOSE THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY PROPOSAL TO REDUCE TRASH COLLECTION SERVICE FROM TWICE A WEEK TO ONCE A WEEK. He then announced that COBWRA has received 400 e-mails on the subject from COBWRA area residents. Commissioners Berger and Kerner and Freddie Scott from Commissioner Abrams’ office were given copies of the e-mails for their records.

The Trash Collection proposal will be brought before the Commissioners on August 29. The meeting is open to the public. Watch your e-mail for the meeting location and time.

FIRST RESPONDERS REPORTS
PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT DISTRICT 6 CAPTAIN SHAWN EASTMAN reported on the Youth Leadership Academy, and Backpack Distribution program. He also announced that crime is declining with the exception of stolen vehicles.

PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE CHIEF MIKE AMELUNG, accompanied by PATRICK KENNEDY reminded the Delegates of the importance of preparing for hurricanes. They also stressed the importance of having working carbon monoxide detectors and wearing seat belts.

ELECTED OFFICIALS’ REPORTS
COUNTY COMMISSIONER DAVID KERNER thanked COBWRA for being engaged in civic service. He also assured the assembled group that he will support COBWRA’s opposition to the proposed change in trash collection service.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER reiterated Commissioner Kerner’s support for COBWRA’s opposition to the proposed change in trash collection service.

STATE SENATOR LORI BERMAN reported that she has attended several conferences in recent weeks, including a Clean Energy Conference and a Gun Violence Prevention Conference. The Senator also announced that employees from Citizen’s Insurance will be at her office on September 20th from 1-4pm. To arrange for a 15 minute consultation, call or e-mail Senator Berman’s office:

* Berman.Lori.Web@f senate.gov
* 561-292-6014

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE KAREN BRILL reported the following statistics for the current school year:

* 179 District Run Schools  
* 12,900 Teachers  
* 48 Charter Schools  
* 1,000 New Students
* 195,000 Students

STATE REPRESENTATIVE EMILY SLOSBERG reported that she is working on a newsletter to update communities on new legislation affecting communities that took effect July 1st.

STATE ATTORNEY DAVE ARONBERG recognized President Phil Barlage for his participation in the Palm Beach County Sober Homes Task Force. Aronberg also announced that he testified before Congress and met with Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein on the Sober Homes issue.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT
Two proposals were presented to the Delegates for a vote by Chair STEVE OSEROFF:

• VALENCIA SQUARE MUPD (DBA The Shoppes at Woolbright) Pre-school expansion. NW Corner of Jog Rd and Woolbright Rd. The Delegates voted to recommend approval of this proposal

• RG TOWERS 150 ft Cell Tower Pipers Glen between El Clair Ranch & Military. The Delegates voted to recommend denial of this proposal.