

Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL**

Thursday February 11, 2010

Clayton Hutchinson Agricultural Center  
Exhibit Hall "B"

559 North Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, Florida 33415

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**MINUTES**

**Members Present**

Chief Matt Immler, Boynton Beach  
Chief Mangold, Atlantis  
Pete Garcia, TSA  
Director Ludos, Greenacres  
Chief Ward, Gulf Stream  
Chief Hartmann, Highland Beach  
Steven Burdelski, FBI  
Chief O'Neill, North Palm Beach  
John McKenna, DEA  
Chief Lincoln, Lantana  
Chief Walker, Manalapan  
Chief Kniffin, Palm Beach Shores  
Matthew Lynch, Secret Service  
Eddie Thompson, Customs & Immigration  
Chief Stepp, Palm Beach Gardens  
Chief Williams, Riviera Beach  
Mike Waites, SAO Inv.  
Chief Hillery, Ocean Ridge  
Chief Crane, South Palm Beach  
Chief Lowe, FAU  
Chief Alexander, Boca Raton

**Advisory Members Present**

Michael McAuliffe, State Attorney  
Feirmon Johnson, DJJ  
Director Schroeder, CJ Institute

**Guests**

Jeff Tyson, Lantana  
Hugh O'Connor, ATF  
C. Ron Allen, Sun- Sentinel  
Pat Kenny, PBSO

Holly DiBenedetto, Victims Services  
Dan McBride – PBSO  
Debbie Simpson, School Police  
Barbara Cheives, CJC  
Jerome Burdi, Sun- Sentinel  
Dave Kelly, Palm Beach Shores  
Charlie Orlando, Greenacres  
Michelle Spangenberg, Court Admin.  
Ed Brewer, School Police  
Jim Stormes, PBSO  
Dennis Crispo, WPB  
Laurie Van Deusen, PBSO  
Steven Randerson, TSA  
Steve Faroni, DCF  
George Sanders, IRS  
Amy Fox, Jupiter  
Michelle Miuccio, Boca Raton  
Nancy Grimes, PBSO  
Rick Howe, Palm Beach  
Dan Szarzewsk, Palm Beach  
Stephanie Redding, FHP  
Patricia Vasquez, DCF  
Donald Monroe, DOC  
Un Cha Kim, Clerk/ Comptroller  
Wayne Pickering, US Marshal  
Brian Smith, Juno Beach  
Mark Hall, Palm Springs

**CJC Staff**

Wayne English  
Mike Rodriguez  
Jenise Link  
Katherine Hatos

- I. Chief Walker called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- II. Roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.
- III. Guests introduced themselves
- IV. The agenda was unanimously approved.
- V. Minutes from the January 7, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.
- VI. Chairman's Comments
  - A. The Chair reminded members that there will be a class hosted by the FBI regarding Human Trafficking on March 11 here at the Ag Center. The class will be about an hour and a half in length and everyone is encouraged to attend.
  - B. The Chair welcomed back Steve Burdelski of the FBI after a year long assignment out of the area.
- VII. Presentations
  - A. Captain Kenny from PBSO gave an update on CIT and CIT Training. He described the CIT program which is in it's 7<sup>th</sup> year and has trained over 900 personnel from departments across the county. Training is being done 6 times a year. The instructors are all volunteers which minimizes Costs.
  - B. Michael McAuliffe discussed the Mutual Aid Agreement and the possibility of including his investigators in it. There seems to be no legal reason that they should not be. The logistics of making the change was discussed. FDLE should be informed also. A motion was made and passed to adopt the State Attorney's office as part of the Mutual Aid Agreement.
  - C. Major McBride from PBSO gave an overview of a maritime grant funding opportunity. It is called operation Stonegarden and is a part of FEMA. It is intended to increase the cooperation and collaboration between agencies all levels. Substantial funding may come available to South Florida. The grant is designed to provide for operations and not for the purchase of equipment. PBSO has been identified as the focal point for the funding in PBC. He asked that anyone that wishes to participate contact the PBSO grant manager and a meeting will held in about a week.
  - D. Steve Faroni from DCF gave an update on the Haitian situation. Thus far 22,719 people have arrived in South Florida. DCF has provided services to 6,912 of them. Flights out of Haiti are now going to Tampa, Atlanta and Charleston.
  - E. Lisa Rosenfeld and Al Grasso from the Health Department gave an update from the Health Department's perspective. Many of the people coming from Haiti have dangerous diseases. The HD is trying to make sure that those coming into our community are properly screened and give the appropriate medical services. This is particularly important around schools. There have been 79 hospitalized Haitians in PBC. H1N1 Flu was briefly discussed. It Is still around but not as prevalent. The issue of criminal backgrounds of Haitian immigrants was discussed. The

problem is that they have no papers as to who they are. A large prison in Haiti was destroyed and 4900 prisoners escaped. A list of the escapees will be sent to members. There was discussion of the possibility of keeping this information in Palms or LEX. WPB PD is starting a Haitian outreach program and members are encouraged to participate.

#### VIII. Updates/Discussion

#### IX. Committee Reports

- A. Chief Walker reported on the Baker Act Receiving Facility Committee. The MOU is complete and has been sent out for signatures with all but one having been returned.
- B. Chief Walker reported on the Elder Abuse Investigation Protocol Committee. He reported that the committee is meeting monthly and making good progress.

#### X. Old Business

#### XI. New Business

- A. Laurie Van Deusen from PBSO discussed the Revision of the Firearms Protocol and requested its approval. The Protocol was initiated in 2006 and needed for the language in the agreement to be updated. She discussed the need for the protocol to be followed. It was pointed out that this was a recommendation for each agency to implement as it saw fit to meet the needs of their agencies. A motion was made and passed for the agencies to review the revised protocol and implement it in their agency
- B. The Law Enforcement Committee of the Youth Violence Prevention Project (YVP) requested the approval of funding in the amount of \$7,544 to train six additional personnel to make entries into the BrassTRAXX system. This is necessary to replace personnel lost to attrition and retirements. This will be funded by YVP monies. The availability of the funding was discussed. A motion was made and passed to recommend to the CJC that this expenditure be approved.

#### XII. Liaison Reports

- A. Chief Stepp noted that the Crime Prevention Officers Association will be highlighting one agencies program's each month.
- B. Director Schroeder gave an update on the Criminal Justice Institute.. He also supplied a detailed written report. He asked that agencies run checks on recruits requesting to do ride-a-longs and advise him of any problems.
- C. Major Stormes gave an update on HIDTA . The Task Force is going well. He asked that everyone turn in their MOU's as soon as possible
- D. Chief Mangold gave an update on the Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium (MPSCC). The project is going very well. The north site in Palm Beach Gardens is operational.

XIII Member Comments

A. Mike Waites discussed upcoming hate crime training.

XIV. Adjournment