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The September 20, 2011 meeting of the Palm Beach County IAEI was called to order at 3:05 PM by President, Vinny Burdo. He led the group in the Pledge to the Flag and self introductions. The August meeting minutes were approved without change and the Treasurers report was accepted. Vinny had the crowd stand for a moment of silence for Richard Kurtz who passed away after a long battle with lung cancer. Mr. Kurtz was our last remaining original PBC Division member and the first to establish an IAEI Division in Florida, which is the PBC Division. The remainder of Division business was postponed due to the meeting format and number of people there with questions.

The meeting consisted of a Code Panel made up of some of our own Palm Beach County Electrical Code Officials. Sitting on the panel were Bob Karrh - Palm Beach County, Tim Wright – Town of Palm Beach, Jake Leahy – City of West Palm Beach, Karl Swierzko – City of Boynton Beach and Carl Jones – City of Belle Glade. There were 51 inspectors and contractors in attendance asking questions and getting answers from the best the area has to offer.

Dan Prater – Town of Jupiter acted as the moderator and there were a wide range of questions being asked. Andrew Youngross (Thompson & Youngross Engineers) and Jim Gillespie (Brannon Gillespie Engineers) got things started with a discussion on emergency lighting that required battery backup, even when alternate power was provided by a standby generator. Bob Karrh led a good discussion on kitchen island receptacle requirements. Another point of interest was made that the *NEC 2011* will require a neutral (grounded conductor) to be present at every light switch, per *NEC 404.2*. There are exceptions if provisions are made to be able to easily add a neutral later. There were other great questions and discussions – far too many to cover in these minutes - and others that we just could not get to in our allotted time.

Because there were questions remaining when the meeting ended it was agreed that we would have the same type meeting again for October. It was also requested that if at all possible to write questions and submit them in advance. Written questions will have priority at the next meeting. You can submit your questions to any IAEI officer or the Code panelists or email them to: [IAEIPBC@gmail.com](mailto:IAEIPBC@gmail.com).

Meeting adjourned at 5:20PM  
Minutes composed by Dan Prater

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Naumann, Secretary

**Next meeting:            Tuesday, October 18, 2011 3:00 PM**  
**Palm Beach County Building Department**  
**2300 Jog Rd, West Palm Beach**

**Our October Program will be Code Panel Part II with local Electrical Code Officials. The panel will consist of Jake Leahy (City of WPB), Bob Karrh (Palm Beach County), Tim Wright (Town of Palm Beach), Karl Swierzko (City of Boynton Beach), Carl Jones (City of Belle Glade) and Dan Prater (Town of Jupiter) as moderator.**

**Write down your NEC Code questions, so you don't forget and mark you calendar!**



Florida Chapter ★ Southern Section  
PALM BEACH COUNTY DIVISION

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Due to the tremendous turnout and success last month

# **We're Doing It Again!**

## **Local Electrical Code Authorities Will answer your Code Questions**

**When: Tuesday October 18<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM**  
**Where: Palm Beach County Building Dept.  
2300 Jog Rd, West Palm Beach**

Our October Special Program will be Code Panel Q & A Part II with local Electrical Code Officials answering YOUR questions. Last month was a great success but we were unable to get to all of your questions so we decided to do another session. The Panel will again consist of **Jake Leahy**-City of West Palm Beach, **Bob Karrh**-Palm Beach County, **Tim Wright**-Town of Palm Beach, **Karl Swierzko**-City of Boynton Beach and **Carl Jones**-City of Belle Glade. **Dan Prater**-Town of Jupiter will serve as moderator.

Write down your Code questions. If you wish you can submit them ahead of time via email to: [IAEIPBC@gmail.com](mailto:IAEIPBC@gmail.com) or just bring them with you to the meeting.

### **DOOR PRIZES!**

**BRING YOUR QUESTIONS**  
**BRING YOUR CODE BOOK**  
**BRING A FRIEND!**

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