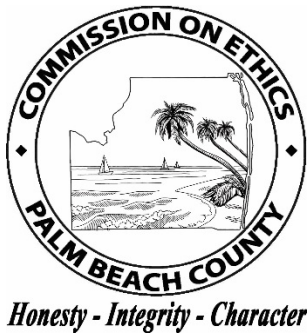




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Summary of Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics Meeting Held on July 9, 2026

The Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics (COE) took the following action at its monthly public meeting held on July 9, 2026.

The COE approved one advisory opinion. The full opinion will be available on the COE's website within seven days at: <https://www.palmbeachcountyethics.com/coepub/>.

RQO 26-013: May a Palm Beach County Fire Rescue (PBCFR) employee serve as an unpaid founding member of a new nonprofit organization without creating a conflict of interest under the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics (Code)?

COE answer: Based on the facts presented, because his role will be limited to serving as an unpaid founding member, rather than as an officer or director of the nonprofit, the PBCFR employee's service as a founding member, by itself, does not create a conflict of interest under the Code.

A detailed explanation of all agenda items is available at <http://www.palmbeachcountyethics.com/meetings.htm>.

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