

City of Cooper City  
**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**October 7, 2013**

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joseph Thiry.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** , Myriam Malleghem Laurie Kruzel, David Kolasa, Diana Morales, Paul Megna, Gina Chandler, Luann Scott Joseph Thiry. **Absent: Bob Nichols, and David Rouse, Pete Dourvetakis, Eddie Rogacki, Stephen Meltzer, Trinidad Gai and Charmayne Dent.**

**MINUTES:**

No Quorum

**DIRECTORS REPORT:**

- Mom and Son Night of Fun with the theme "Sports" was a success.
- 2013 – 14 FY Budgets were approved. Memos concerning the following programs were distributed and explained: Shuttle/Senior Transportation Program. Meals on Wheels Program. Silversneakers Program.
- Two items are on the upcoming Commission Agenda – appointment of the Teen Council (22 plus) and approval of Tennis Contract with Bill Clark for two years.
- The Pool and Tennis, tennis and basketball courts are being resurfaced.
- The Garage Sale was a success on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Next sale is the first week of March with registration 1 month prior. Thank you to BSO Explorers for providing parking attendants and Women in Distress and Two Rivers Church for providing an on-site donation opportunity.
- Interviews for the re-organization of the department are underway. The deadline for the Adult Program Coordinator and Aquatics Program Coordinator positions were today.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Paul Megna discussed artificial turf for football field, suggested there will be no gum, and extra trash cans should be provided. . Paul does not like that the new park is being called the soccer park. Luann is concerned that there is not enough parking on site, Joe Thiry mentioned possibly needing an agreement with Church for additional parking.

**NEW BUSINESS:** - Jim Bowman, Director, Public Works discussed with the board the 2013 Recreational Trails Program grant application in the amount of \$75,000 for Cooper City Soccer Complex lighting. Discussion followed.

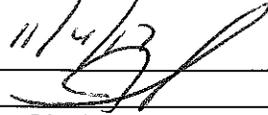
**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Mr. Walt Joliff expressed his concern regarding the \$1.6 million dedicated to the soccer park on Flamingo Road, 11 NFL home teams have artificial turf, consensus is that real grass is more forgiving for that sake of injuries.

Mr. Joliff mentioned temperature concerns. Discussion followed. The board agreed that the city should look at the health concerns brought forth by Mr. Joliff in regards to the artificial turf.

NEXT MEETING DATE: - Monday, November 4, 2013.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Minutes completed by: **Lisa Provost**

The foregoing Minutes were approved on: 11/4/13, 2013.

  
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Chairperson  
Recreation Advisory Board