

GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, December 3, 2015

A meeting of the Green Advisory Board was called to order at 6:10 pm in the Meeting Room of the Rock Creek Pool and Tennis Center.

ATTENDANCE: The following Green Advisory Board members were present: Diana Guidry, Chairperson, Scott Lynch, Michelle McKay, Lil Maniscalco, Paul Kragh, Ian Dasho, Janice Malkoff

Not in attendance: Jeri Habenicht, Jan Lowenthal, Gary Hines, excused

Also in attendance: Stephanie Sui

APPROVE THE MINUTES: The October minutes were not available to approve, so will be included in the next meeting. There were no minutes in November as Members toured the water plant in lieu of an official meeting.

OPENING REMARKS: The Chair welcomed everyone and asked them to review their membership information for accuracy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

GUEST SPEAKER: Stephanie Sui, a junior at Cooper City High School, shared her desire to motivate fellow students and residents to care more about the environment. She is currently taking an AP Environmental Science class and has been inspired to take action. Citing certain observations of recycling practices at her school and a general lack of involvement from the student body, she asked the board for suggestions of ways she could make a difference.

Each board member suggested different ideas to Stephanie regarding present and future opportunities and commended her for attending the meeting. Chair Guidry invited Stephanie to consider joining the board as a non-voting student member.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Members praised Mayor Ross for signing the Mayor's Monarch Pledge, a National Wildlife Federation initiative to protect and promote habitat for monarch butterflies and other pollinators in their cities.

Members discussed options for rescheduling a tour of the Recycling Plant on December 28 or 29, or to January or February. Diana will discuss availability with Carol Adams.

NEW BUSINESS:

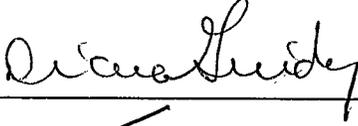
At the request of Mayor Ross, members reviewed information regarding the banning of plastic bags in Florida and local resolutions supporting HB 143. Scott Lynch shared research and examples of other resolutions pertaining to this matter, one passed by the Town of Davie in 2012. A PowerPoint presentation titled "The Dangers of Plastic Bags" was viewed. After discussion and preparation of a response, Janice Malkoff made a motion to recommending the Mayor support HB143 and pass a resolution in support of local home rule and regulation single use plastic bags. Ian Dasho seconded the motion. The members vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 7, 2016, at 6:00pm in the Rock Creek Pool and Tennis Center.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion duly made by Janice and seconded by Lil, it was unanimously VOTED by the board to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by Diana Guidry, Chair.

The foregoing Minutes were approved by , Chair of the Green

Advisory Board on 1-7-16, ~~2015~~