

City of Cooper City
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 1, 2014

The Recreation Advisory Board was called to order by Joe Thiry.

IN ATTENDANCE: Joe Thiry, Diana Morales, Gina Chandler, Charmayne Dent, Laurie Kruzell, Myriam Van Mallenghem and Trinidad Gai.

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: David Kolasa, Paul Megna, Eddie Rogacki, LuAnn Scott, and Dr. David Rouse

GUESTS: Beth Kroll - Discuss Dogs in Parks

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Elections were held at the Community Center and the Pool and Tennis Center on Tuesday, November 4th. In addition, the Community Center serves as a Regional Election Site after area polls close down.
- The Cooper City Teen Council Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 5th. During the meeting these middle and high school students filled the luminary bags for Light Up Cooper City.
- The Director and Facility Coordinator attended a facility design workshop held in Plantation by the Florida Recreation and Park Association.
- The Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance was held on Friday, November 14th with a Western Theme. 168 dads and their daughters were in attendance with one family in their 26th year!
- Florida Licensing on Wheels FLOW Mobile (every other month at the Community Center) was offered on Tuesday, November 18th.
- The Monthly Adult Luncheon Thanksgiving fest was held on Friday, November 21st. Staff utilized the hay bales from the Daddy Daughter Dance to add to the adult luncheon theme of scarecrows, hay, & pumpkins.
- The Mayors' Chess Challenge was held on Saturday, November 22nd at the Pool and Tennis Center. Mayor Ross and Commissioner Green played numerous games of chess with participants. Beginning in January an open chess program for residents of all ages will be held the 3rd or 4th Saturday of the month. Cooper City will host another Mayors' Chess Challenge in 2015, the date to be determined.
- Bill Clark's Tennis Academy hosted a Tennis Tournament at the P & T Center the weekend of November 22nd.

- A Community Autism Day was held on Sunday, November 23rd. The Recreation Department provided them with picnic tables, tables, chairs and two tents.
- No School Camp was hosted at the Pool & Tennis Center on Wednesday, November 27th.
- The A/C for the fitness room had to be replaced. The replacement took over 20 days as both the air handler and compressor were ordered and installed.
- Grant Updates:
 - a. Six Tree Inventory Trainings were held throughout the month of November.
 - b. The Historical Committee met one time in November.

The Cooper City - City Challenge Project Status Report for both projects was submitted on November 26th. The City anticipates receiving the second installment of the \$20,000 Grant in the amount of \$10,000.
- The monthly "Kids News" was produced and taken to the Elementary schools.
- The Department hired three PT-29 Recreation Facility Attendants.

Upcoming Events:

- Light Up Cooper City will be held on Friday, December 5th from 6:00-9:00 pm. at City Hall, Memorial Park and the Community Center.
- Breakfast and Lunch with Santa is on Saturday, December 13th at the Community Center and is sold out.
- Father / Son Adventure will be held on Friday, January 23rd at the Community Center for K – 5th Grades. Tickets go on sale beginning December 10th.
- A Commission Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at 6:30 pm. The two topics are dogs in parks and Flamingo Park - Passive Park Area.
- A Senior Lifestyle Expo will be held on Saturday, January 10th at the Community Center. Vendors are still being sought.

NEW BUSINESS:

A Board member inquired about the rental of the Community Center's Multi-Purpose Room as she was not aware the Centers could be rented for private events.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dogs in Parks – Chair Joe Thiry will attend the Commission Workshop on Thursday to speak on the Recreation Advisory Boards recommendations. If the Commission chooses to allow dogs in parks with restrictions or decides to restrict the parks to "no dogs", there needs to be enforcement of the code.

Flamingo Road Passive Park is moving forward and will be discussed at the Thursday Commission Workshop.

Fitness Room Membership Usage Fees – Commission approval will be sought at the December 16th Commission meeting to provide for 3 and 6 month memberships to the Cooper City Fitness Room located in the Pool and Tennis Center. The Recreation Advisory Board reviewed and recommended to the Recreation Director these additional memberships be added to the existing rates.

MEMBER CONCERNS: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, January 5, 2015

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes completed by: Debbie Ginsburg

The foregoing Minutes were approved on: _____, 2014.

Chairperson
Recreation Advisory Board