

City of Cooper City
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

November 3, 2014

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Joe Thiry, Charmayne Dent, Diana Castejon-Morales, Myriam Van Malleghem, LuAnn Scott, and Trinidad Gai (Gai arrived at 7:30 p.m. after meeting was called a Workshop Meeting due to lack of Quorum).

EXCUSED ABSENCES:

No Quorum - Workshop Meeting.

GUESTS: Jeff Pohlman, Facility Coordinator, Cooper City Recreation Department

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- The Teen Council held their first meeting of the school year in October. There are 25 on the council. Annie Boyle meets with them monthly. Some of the members received service hours by assisting with the Book Swap and Trick or Treat Shop to Shop.
- A Community Autism Day event will be held on Sunday, November 23rd from 2:00-4:00pm at the BSO District Fire Department in Cooper City. This event is co-sponsored by Cooper City and The Town of Davie Fire Department.
- A very successful Community Garage Sale was held on Saturday, October 11th.
- The Community Book Swap was held on Friday, October 17th from 5:30 – 7:30pm at the Community Center. The event began with "Kids Only" until 5:50pm, with the remainder attendees invited in at 6:00pm. It was a very successful event with over 200 in attendance. The addition of the new banner displayed at the marquee at the Community Center and the recent Cooper Quarterly mailed to each home in Cooper City definitely contributed to the success. Various teachers and nonprofit groups re-purposed the remaining books.
- A No School Camp was hosted at the P & T Center on Friday, October 24th with 44 children in attendance.
- Trick or Treat Shop to Shop was held on Saturday, October 25th at Countryside Shops – very well attended. The mayor and 3 commissioners judged. The Teen Council members hosted 4 game activities. BSO Fire and Police were present and participated.

- The monthly Kids News and Views was distributed the week of October 27th to the three elementary schools.
- The Halloween themed Adult Luncheon was held Friday, October 31st with 67 in attendance.
- The Cooper City Challengers met in October at the Pool and Tennis Center for a Bingo Night and Halloween Social. They are now meeting on a third Friday each month for a Gameroom night.
- Grant update – The tree inventory is moving along. The trees in Rock Creek and around the Community Center neighborhoods have been counted. The volunteers are now moving to the areas east of 90th Avenue. The Historical cataloging is moving slowly. Volunteers and staff participated in a site visit to the Old Davie School to gather information.

Upcoming events:

- Daddy Daughter Dinner is Friday, November 14th at Pioneer Middle School with a Wild West theme.
- November 21st is the Adult Thanksgiving-themed Luncheon.
- A No School Camp will be held on Wednesday, November 26th.
- Light Up Cooper City is on Friday, December 5th. Volunteers are needed to assist with the event.
- Breakfast and Lunch with Santa is scheduled for Saturday, December 13th.
- The City with assistance from the Senior Advisory Board is hosting a Senior Lifestyle Expo on Saturday, January 10th. Currently looking for sponsorships and vendors, all vendor information is available on-line.
- A Commission Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at 6:30 p.m. The two topics are dogs in parks and Flamingo Park - Passive Park Area.

OLD BUSINESS:

Usage Fees for the Pool & Tennis Center – Jeff Pohlman reviewed proposed fee additions to the current Pool and Tennis Usage Fees. Additions included a 3 month and 6 month membership. The Board agreed with the recommended additions. The proposed additions will be presented to the commission for approval.

Dogs in the parks – The Recreation Department added the following information on the parks page of the City website: "No animals or pets of any kind are permitted in our city parks. In Cooper City, a dog park is located inside the Monterra Community (entry is from Pine Island Road). Brian Piccolo County Park, located in Cooper City, welcomes well-behaved, leashed dogs to visit the park (maximum 6 foot length leash)." The Board discussed the dogs in parks. Joe Thiry will attend the December Commission Workshop to share the Board member thoughts concerning the matter. One member shared pictures taken of horses in Ted Ferone Park close to the playground area and along the walking path. Members were encouraged to call Code Enforcement at BSO at 954.435.2000 when they observe such infractions.

NEW BUSINESS: None

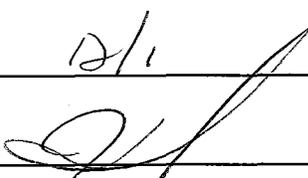
MEMBER CONCERNS: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, December 1, 2014

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes completed by: Debbie Ginsburg

The foregoing Minutes were approved on: 12/1 , 2014.



Chairperson
Recreation Advisory Board