

Cooper City Senior Citizen Advisory Board

Annual Report 2012-2013

Presented to the City Commission on 6/18/13

Congratulations to our new Mayor, Greg Ross and the reelection of our city commissioner Jeff Green. Also to our City Commissioners Lisa Mallozzi, Jamie Curran, and John Sims for allowing The Senior Citizen Advisory Board to conclude its second year of recommending various needs and concerns from the open meetings held monthly for our residents.

The purpose of the Advisory Board was to gather input from seniors to get recommendations of what they would want and what changes they would like to have in Cooper City.

Accomplishments/Revisions To/From Board

- During the last year three new members were appointed to the board.
- Three members were re-appointed to the board.
- Board meetings were changed from the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7pm to 6:30 pm.
- Light Up Cooper City- December, 2012- A table was set up to introduce members of the Advisory Board and flyers were given out (including new program Re-Engage for Good) as well as gathering any concerns/suggestions from the Seniors of Cooper City.
- Founders Day- April, 2013- A table with various literature, handouts of Senior Activities and three different notebooks for seniors to note their concerns or suggestions in. Self Defense Awareness and Familiarization Exchange (S.A.F.E.) A new program was suggested and a class was given in May by BSO Linda Victor for seniors.

- Guest Speakers, throughout the year included Jeff Green, City Commissioner (Senior Transportation, Cooper City Budget and how the reserves must be spent). Deputy Gloria Anton (Women's Defense Instructor), Patti Williams, Senior Activities (monthly luncheon, doctors' visits, shopping, movies, etc.), Robert Kirschbaum- Re-Engage for Good (Baby Boomers, Grant)

Expectation for the Future

- Guest speaker for July 16, 2013, meeting, Robert Kirschbaum, Re-Engage for Good City Challenge.
- Participation in Light up Cooper City, December, 2013.
- Participation in Founders Day, 2014
- Self Defense Awareness and Familiarization Exchange (S.A.F.E.)
- Coordinate hosting a reading program for adults with limited vision at the Cooper City Community Center.
- Future guest speakers to be sought, will be The Mayor, City Manager, City Commissioners, and directors of Various Departments (or staff) to explain what they expect from this Board.
- In addition, Members from the various Boards should communicate their needs and or suggestions to the Senior Citizen Advisory Board.

Closing Thoughts

We would like to thank each Board member for their time and effort for participating at the Senior Citizen Advisory Board.

At this time there are three (3) vacant positions on the Board. We request the Mayor and Commissioners to continue searching for residents that they feel would benefit the Board in its endeavors.

Respectfully submitted by Gail Jaffee, Chairperson, 6/18/13