

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MARCH 24, 2015
6:30 PM**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross open the meeting at 6:30 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Colin Schwantes from Renaissance Charter School and Erik Lopez-Hutton from Cooper City High School.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Commissioners Sims, Mallozzi, Curran, Green and Mayor Ross.

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS

City Manager Loucks announced that this Agenda will follow the new format, including Items 5A and 5B for the public participation portions of the meeting, and moving Police Chief and Fire Chief Concerns to Items 6 and 7, consecutively.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Ross welcomed everyone and made the following announcements:

- BSO District 16 will participate in "TIP-A-COP" at Beef O'Brady's to benefit The Special Olympics, Florida on Wednesday, March 25th from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
- The Pool & Tennis Center will host "Open Play Chess" Saturday, March 28th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and on every fourth Saturday of the month.
- The Twilight Teen Egg Hunt will take place on Thursday, April 2nd beginning at 7:00 PM.
- The Annual Egg-Citing Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 AM sharp for fifth graders and under at the Cooper City Sports Complex.
- Cooper City's 56th Founders' Day will be celebrated on Saturday, April 25th and will include the following events:
 - 7:30 AM - Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast in the Community Center
 - 8:00 AM - 1 Mile Family Fun Run/Walk Stroll on SW 90th Avenue
 - 9:30 AM - Kiddy Activities at the Community Center
 - 10:00 AM - Founders' Day Parade from the Community Center.
 - Celebration in Brian Piccolo Park from 1:00 PM until 9:00 PM, ending with a fireworks display.

- BSO District 16 in partnership with VCA Animal Hospital will host a Chip-A-Pet Program on April 25th from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the Public Safety Complex.
- The upcoming City Commission meeting schedule is as follows:
 - Tuesday, April 14th at 6:30 PM.
 - Tuesday, April 28th at 6:30 PM.

Commissioner Mallozzi requested support for military personnel stationed overseas through www.forgottensoldier.org

Eagle Scout Erik Lopez-Hutton was issued a Certificate of Recognition and a Cooper City logo pin for his accomplishment.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

A. Open Public Meeting

Michele Wright, 8953 SW 49th Street, asked for assistance with a neighbor who has been bullying her regarding his work/sleep schedule and her activity in her yard.

B. Agenda Concerns

Donna Morrissee, 4972 SW 90th Way, spoke in favor of increasing the number of annual yard sales per year approved by the City.

6. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Cates reported on the following:

- TIP-A-COP raised over \$1500.00 last year for Special Olympics and he thanked the Community for their support.
- The Chip-A-Pet program is the only one in the county and residents with pets are encouraged to participate
- Sergeant Glen Bukata is filling the position once held by recently retired Sergeant Jake Saredy.
- The 2 new sign boards will be employed to announce community events and traffic control.

7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Caruso reported on the following:

- Senior Life Safety Programs are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Pool and Tennis Center following Silver Sneakers.
- The first Car-Fit program was offered through AAA and AARP on Thursday, March 19th and will be offered again in six months.
- The CERT Team is receiving CPR certifications and has purchased an AED through a state grant.
- The RV trailers remain on site while the station is undergoing renovations which are scheduled to be completed in three weeks.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

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B. Resolutions

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE - **Res. No. 15-3-4**
2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE – **Res. No. 15-3-5**

C. Proclamation

Relay for Life – April 11, 2015

MOTION: To approve the Consent.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

9. APPOINTING A DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATES FOR BROWARD LEAGUE OF CITIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Approving the appointment of one director and a first and second alternate to the Broward League of Cities Board of Directors.

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Mayor Ross as director to the BLOC Board of Directors.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Green.

MOTION: To appoint Commissioner Mallozzi as the alternate to the Broward League of Cities Board of Directors.

Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Curran.

All aye on roll call vote to both motions. Motions passed.

10. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

Discussion and Motion to Amend the Garage Sale Ordinance to allow more than one sign and to allow more than two sales per year – **Commissioner Sims**

MOTION: To amend the City Code pertaining to garage sales.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Curran.

MOTION AMENDED BY MAKER: To increase the number of garage sale signs allowed from 1 to no more than 4 with a requirement to place the applicable permit number, or the address on the front or back of the signs to be visible by Code Enforcement.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Mallozzi.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

MOTION: To increase the number of permissible garage sales from 2 to 4 per year.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Curran.

Motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Green, Mallozzi and Mayor Ross voting no.

11. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Loucks explained that he and Public Works Director James Bowman met with residents of the Tanglewood development concerning the Palm Avenue widening project and have come to an agreement regarding sign placement.

12. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS

Commissioner Sims requested clarification from Ms. Wright regarding the actions of District 16 personnel when called to address her concern. He asked for a follow up from Chief Cates regarding her issues. He thanked the Commission for their support with the sign issue.

Commissioner Mallozzi thanked Chief Cates for his assistance with Ms. Wright's situation and raised concerns regarding Commissioner Sims' alleged conduct.

Mayor Ross stopped the Commissioners' Concerns portion of the meeting to allow a **Point of Order**.

Point of Order Recognized: Commissioner Green supported Commissioner Mallozzi's right to address her concerns in a respectful manner.

Point of Order Recognized: Commissioner Sims addressed Commissioner Mallozzi.

Point of Order Recognized: Commissioner Green charged Mayor Ross, as chair, with the obligation to ensure that no Commissioner is treated with disrespect at the dais.

Commissioner Curran expressed his disappointment with the actions of the Commission and apologized to those in attendance. He thanked City staff for their participation in the Lauren's Kids "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" event.

Commissioner Green thanked Chief Cates with his assistance in addressing residents' concerns and extended compliments to Chief

Cates and District 16 on behalf of the residents. He apologized to the audience for the conduct of other commissioners at the dais and thanked them for their support and interest in City issues.

Mayor Ross expressed his intent to chair the meeting to curtail disruptive and discourteous behavior. He thanked everyone who participated in the Lauren's Kids walk. He reported that he spoke with Senator Jenne, Senator Sobel and the Chair of the Appropriations Committee regarding funding that has been directed for replacement of asbestos utility line projects, of which the City should be receiving a portion. He also reported on the Florida League of Cities meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

NOTICE: This meeting is open to the public. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Office of the City Clerk, 954-434-4300 ext. 220, not later than two days prior to such proceeding. One or more members of the City of Cooper City Advisory Boards may be in attendance and may participate at the meeting. Anyone wishing to appeal any decision made by the Cooper City Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Agenda items may be viewed online at www.coopercityfl.org or at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Cooper City, 9090 SW 50 Place, Cooper City, Florida, 33328, 954-434-4300.