

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2016 at 6:30 PM**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:31 and 5th grade Griffin Elementary School student Taylor King led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS

City Manager Loucks announced that Item 9A would be removed from the Agenda as research has revealed that the City follows the County's ordinance regarding open burning.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Ross made the following announcements:

- The City Hall lobby renovation project should be complete in approximately 4 weeks.
 - Utility Billing and City Clerk functions have been temporarily relocated to the auditorium.
- The next countywide Mayor's Chess Challenge will be hosted by Cooper City and held on Saturday, February 27th at the Pool & Tennis Center from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.
- Yellow Dot decals are available upon request at BSO Fire Rescue, the Community Center and during the Mayor's Chess Challenge.
- A representative from the Broward County Property Appraiser's Office will be in the Community Center on February 16th from 10:00 to 11:30 AM.
- *Cooper City's Got Talent* will be held on Friday, February 19th at the Community Center at 6:30 PM.
- The *Spring Community Garage Sale* will be held on Saturday, March 5th from 7:00 AM until noon.
- The next BSO/Special Olympics, Florida *Tip-A-Cop* event at Beef O'Brady's will be held on Wednesday, March 9th from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM.
- The City Commission/City Hall Notable dates are as follows:
 - The next City Commission Meetings will be held on Tuesday, February 23rd and Tuesday, March 8th at 6:30 PM.
 - City offices will be closed on Monday, February 15th in honor of Presidents' Day.

Mayor Ross commended the Public Works Department on their quick response to a downed tree call which received media coverage. He complimented Mike Russo and the coordinators of Soccer Fest and extended his appreciation to the Cooper City Purple Posse team members who attended the event on behalf of Relay for Life.

Commissioner Mallozzi made the following announcements:

- Please support military personnel stationed overseas by visiting www.forgottensoldiers.org

She complimented the Optimists and everyone involved in Soccer Fest. She thanked Chief Cates and BSO for the gun safety course for the children.

Commissioner Curran complimented the Optimists, Public Works, Recreation, the Cooper City High School Band, the BSO Explorers, Chief Caruso and everyone involved in Soccer Fest and reported that it was attended by close to 3,000 people. He extended his appreciation to Chief Cates for the child gun safety course. He announced the Davie/Cooper City Relay for Life on April 2nd and 3rd at Cooper City High School and the participation of community groups who are participating in the event, including the David Posnack JCC of Davie.

A. Relay for Life Proclamation

The Mayor and Commission presented Community Champion David Roth with the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Proclamation.

B. Presentation by Dr. Jennifer Jurado - Neighborhood Water Challenge

Ms. Baker of the Neighborhood Water Challenge presented the campaign to conserve water through the "Conservation Pays" program.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

A. Open Public Meeting

Ed Wooley, 11038 Nashville Drive, spoke about Fire Rescue services and praised Station 28. He suggested that the corporate structure has inflated charges.

Lydia Kruger, 5569 SW 113th Avenue, expressed the need for roads within the subdivision of Forest Lake to be repaved and suggested that the main roads be done all at once to prevent the need to return to redo the streets.

- Public Works Director, Denise Yoezle explained that the resurfacing schedule calls for the entirety of 113th Avenue to be paved between 55th and 58th Streets.

Martin Sherwood, 5529 SW 113th Avenue, reiterated the concerns of Ms. Kruger and addressed the City's Capital Projects Budget and resurfacing schedule at length.

Howard Meltzer, 9770 SW 55th Court, complimented Lynda Good and the Recreation Department staff for their execution of the Senior Citizen Advisory Board Senior Expo. He thanked Commissioners Green, Curran, Mallozzi and Mayor Ross for their attendance and participation.

B. Agenda Concerns

Neal de Jesus, resident, addressed Item 9B and suggested that the option to staff the second rescue unit with a part-time crew would not be necessary if the Sheriff would accept a true and fair cost for full staffing of 3 full-time professionals for each 24 hour shift, as was approved by vote in September. He explained that several of the options presented in the back-up will put the City and/or its residents at risk.

Ed Wooley, 10038 Nashville Drive, addressed Item 9B and suggested that staffing the second rescue unit supersedes keeping the Quint in service as the population of Cooper City is aged and requires medical assistance more than fire service.

6. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Cates reported that there were no incidents at Soccer Fest despite the fact that it was attended by thousands of residents. He explained that the Police Explorers maintain a presence at all City events to assist with traffic. He reported that on March 6th, there will be demonstrations taking place at Temple Beth Emet which will include the bomb squad, the SWAT unit, and the explorers. He thanked Mr. and Mrs. Martin, who lost their son to a gun misuse tragedy, for attending the gun safety event. He addressed speeding concerns and detailed areas of additional enforcement throughout the City.

7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Caruso thanked Lynda Good and the principals of the Cooper City Optimist organization for a successful and safe Soccer Fest event. He reported that the CERT teams from Cooper City and Weston are in the process of receiving their 8 week training. He announced that District 28 will attend the college fair at Cooper City High School and will be looking for potential recruits to the Broward Fire Academy. He referenced highlights from the 2015 Annual Report which showcases all of the community activities that the Fire Department run, host or are involved with.

Public Works Director Denise Yoezle reported that Interstate Construction has been awarded the contract for construction on the Griffin Road Wall through FDOT, which will begin March 7th and is expected to be complete approximately 2 months from commencement.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

January 26, 2016 – Regular Meeting

B. Resolutions

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **Res. No. 16-2-1**
2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. - **Res. No. 16-2-2**
3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A WATER AND SEWER DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES WITH MARIN RANCHES, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF 106TH AVENUE, NORTH OF STIRLING ROAD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. - **Res. No. 16-2-3**

C. Proclamation

Relay for Life, April 2 and 3, 2016

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner

Mallozzi. All eye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

9. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION

A. Request that the Commission consider enacting an open burning ordinance
- **Chief Caruso - Previously Removed**

B. Options for Additional Staffing of Second Rescue Unit
City Manager Loucks explained that he and the City Attorney have had two meetings with the Sheriff and his staff regarding the staffing of the second rescue unit, as directed by the Commission. As a result of those meetings, the following staffing options were presented for consideration and outlined in the backup memo to the Commission :

1. Do not staff the second rescue at this time.
2. Amend the contract with BSO for \$1.8 million to staff with a 3 man crew.
3. Amend the contract with BSO for \$1.3 million to staff with a 2 man crew . (This amount was quoted on November 24, 2015. An updated amount has been requested, but not received.
4. Shift existing staff from the City's Quint (ladder truck) to the rescue unit (no cost) and develop an automatic response agreement with the Town of Davie for events which would require a ladder truck. There are two sites where a ladder truck would be required; Baffly Woods and the industrial area on Flamingo Road.
5. Contract with the Town of Davie to staff the second rescue unit.
 - Current year - June to October 1
\$459,000.00 with additional \$75,000.00 for start-up costs.
 - FY 2016/2017 - \$1,493,000.00

*These amounts reflect current pension and healthcare costs, which could be incrementally adjusted pending finalization of these costs.

City Manager Loucks explained that proposed option, which is being presented for approval, is to staff the second unit with a crew that works a 12 hour shift and is not reflected in the memo as a cost breakdown has not yet been provided and should be available in about a week and a half.

Union President Walter Dix described the option for staffing the unit with a 12 hour crew for consideration and explained that this would require a change to the union's contract with BSO.

Assistant Chief Keefe explained that the Sheriff expressed his desire to work with the City and the union to come to the best solution for staffing the second rescue. He clarified that the union will draft a Letter of Understanding and conduct a concurrent bidding process in order to provide the City with a cost analysis.

MOTION: To table any further discussion until the Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the union, can compile a cost analysis and make a proposal to the City based on those figures.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION: To fund a full-time, three-person crew to operate the second rescue unit in the amount of \$1,493,000.00, as proposed by the Town of Davie and to extend the right of first refusal to Broward Sheriff's Office to meet that price.

Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Mayor Ross.

Friendly Amendment: To present the Fifth Amendment to the BSO contract, including the price of \$1,493,000.00 with an acceptance deadline of 10 days, to allow the Commission to move forward on the matter by the next Commission Meeting of February 23, 2016.

Amendment by Mayor Ross. Accepted by Commissioner Green.

All aye on roll call vote to motion as amended. Motion passed.

10. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Loucks explained the Metropolitan Planning Organization subcommittee's Local Funding Compromise Fact Sheet presented to them for consideration regarding transportation funding needs and the options presented by the MPO. He reported that the bus benches have arrived, the plans have been received by the permitting department and installation will begin once the permit is approved.

- Mayor Ross explained that he is familiar with the presentation and opined that an additional penny sales tax would be an extremely hard sell and that there are still a lot of aspects of the proposal that have to be worked out.

11. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS

Commissioner Mallozzi commented regarding the MPO funding options and the impact of the improvements they hope to make toward providing transportation to residents of less affluent areas to fully stocked supermarkets where fresh produce and proteins may be purchased. She reported that studies show that the views of women weigh heavily of the success of commercial development and suggested that seniors and women should be solicited for their opinions by planning organizations and development committees.

Commissioner Curran reported traffic concerns on and near NE Lake Boulevard and Hiatus Road. He suggested that increased traffic caused by the charter school has made the area increasingly difficult to navigate. He asked for traffic control methods to be put in place and suggested that they may include signs or striping. He received clarification regarding the paving progress and plan for the Forest Lake area and confirmation that the previously proposed artificial turf field, which was budgeted as a reduced, single field project, has not been purchased and there is no plan to do so.

Mayor Ross reported that the traffic lights at Stirling Road and 106th Avenue, Sheridan Street and 106th and Stirling Road and Palm Avenue have extended red-light periods that should be addressed with Broward County Traffic

Engineering. He clarified that the MPO is proposing a linkage fee that will be charged to each new development venture to fund affordable housing projects.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 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.