

GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES May 2, 2019

ATTENDANCE: The following Green Advisory Board members were present at 6:05 pm when the meeting commenced at the City of Cooper City Pool and Tennis Center meeting room: Paul Kragh, Chairperson, Janet Arculeo, Geraldine DeBianchi, Jackie Fisher, Jerilyn Habenicht, Janice Malkoff, Lill Maniscalco and Makani Kone, student liaison.

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Diana Guidry, Vice Chairperson, Bob Kirschbaum, treasurer, Hardeep Anand

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Jeannette Wofford, City Liaison to GAB, Linda Kragh, GAB Recording Secretary Emeritus to the Board, Jada Pallagi, President of Cooper City High School Environmental Club

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVE THE MINUTES: Janice Malkoff made a motion to approve the April 18, 2019 minutes as written. Janet Arculeo seconded, and the committee unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Paul Kragh says that there is \$905.00 left in the budget.

OPENING REMARKS: Jeannette Wofford said that all board members should attend the Sunshine Law workshop on May 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Jeannette Wofford mentioned that the Commission would like to start tracking the volunteer hours that the board members donate to the city. There was a discussion of having a sign in sheet at all events that the board members take part in so the GAB members can create a spreadsheet of their hours.

GUEST SPEAKER:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

NEW BUSINESS: Paul Kragh and board members welcomed Geraldine DeBianchi as a new board member. All the board members introduced themselves to her. Paul Kragh thanked Makani Kone for her service to the GAB as a student liaison. Board members discussed and voted on the new expenditures for FY 2018-2019 after Paul Kragh presented the remaining budget numbers. Jerilyn Habenicht made a motion to spend up to \$600 for the purchase of education signs for the Butterfly Garden at the Pool and Tennis Center and Flamingo West Park, Geraldine DeBianchi seconded the motion and all committee board members voted and agreed to this expenditure. Janice Malkoff made a motion to spend \$200 for giveaways such as trakes (trowels/rakes) and pruning shears at the 2019 Cooper City Plant and Tree Workshop. Lill Maniscalco seconded this motion and all committee board members voted and agreed to this expenditure. Jerilyn Habenicht made a motion to spend the rest of the budget for owl burrows where needed in Cooper City parks. Geraldine DeBianchi seconded the motion and all committee board members voted and agreed to this expenditure. Board members had a discussion of next year's FY 2019-2020. Board members agreed to ask for \$1500 for next year so more educational signs can be placed in Cooper City parks. Janice Malkoff made a motion to keep the same slate of officers until September when the board will revisit this issue. Lill Maniscalco seconded the motion and all committee board members voted and agreed. The board members discussed who would help the recreation department with a Cooper City Garden Club. The recreation department is working on the venue and time for Garden Club.

OLD BUSINESS: Paul Kragh reminded board members of the summer break and that the next meeting will not be until September. Paul Kragh did a recap of the Waste Management Scholarship program. There was a discussion of GAB's FY 2018 – 2019 accomplishments for the annual presentation to the Cooper City Commission. Some of the GAB accomplishments were: signage at Jerry Morgan Park, purchase and installation of a second Purple Martin House at Jerry Morgan Pak, Volunteer hours at the Cooper City Senior Fair, Light Up Cooper City and Founder's Day, Maintained National Wildlife Community Certification and Tree City certification and the selection of yard of the month for Commissioners Pulcini and Commissioner Meltzer.

MEMBER COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion duly made and seconded by Jackie Fisher and Jerilyn Habenicht respectively, it was unanimously VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Minutes submitted by Linda Kragh, Recording Secretary, Emeritus to the Board. The foregoing Minutes were approved by vote and signed by _____ Paul Kragh, Chairperson of the Green Advisory Board, on _____, 2019.