

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 3, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: By LuAnn Scott at 7:08pm

ROLL CALL:

Those in attendance: Lee Aloni, David Duda, Trinidad Gai, Laurie Kruzel, Cynthia Rudy, Luann Scott and Luz Wehmeyer. Those absent Iris Brent, Charmayne Dent, Diana Morales

Two guests present Denise Lasarte from the city as well as Commissioner Howard Meltzer.

DISTRIBUTION OF PACKET MATERIALS – confirmation of quorum/Verification of Sign-In sheet

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made Luz Wehmeyer the minutes from December 2, 2019; seconded by Lauri Kruzel and approved.

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PAST EVENTS:

- ✓ *Eat to the Beat – This Eat to the Beat was also paired with the renaming of the Sports Complex to the Suellen H. Fardelmann Sports Complex. We had 16 food trucks, and brought out Sucker Punch (Country Band) for the nights entertainment. We had approximately 1,500 – 2,000 people in attendance.*
- ✓ *Touch-A-Truck – Touch-A-Truck event was very well attended. The Sheriff's Office was able to coordinate and have a helicopter for the festivities. All enjoyed a great time!*
- ✓ *Senior Expo – This year's Senior Expo was a huge success. Participants were able to interact with a different variety of vendors. The event attracted 50 vendors and approximately 450 participants.*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mayor's Chess Challenge

Date: Saturday, February 8, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Pool & Tennis Center

Miss & Mr. Cooper City Pageants

Date: Thursday, February 20th, 2020 (new date)

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Cooper City High School

*Application deadline 2/13/2020

Garage Sale Registration Starts

Date: Wednesday, February 26th, 2020

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Community Center

*Event held on 3/28/2020

OTHER:

- a. Denise Lasarte, Cooper City Community Liaison, Cooper Academy
- b. Commission Meetings this month – February 11th and February 25th
- c. New City Manager – Joe Napoli begins, February 18, 2020
- d. March Meeting – Census Representatives would like to come and present at the March meeting
- e. Emails – when responding please only respond to chair to avoid Sunshine violations
- f. Walking Club – As a reminder, the Walking Club meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Flamingo West
- g. Founder's Day Event – Planning is underway, event date is March 14th

ASSIGNED PARKS – Member Comments/Concerns

None

ARTS IN PARKS – Committee Update

- With the past commission meeting minutes being up the committee will meet to go over steps set up by the commission. They will also be meeting with the Education Advisory Board to see how the schools can get involved.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Commissioner Howard Meltzer thanks the board for their volunteer hours and help with the city. He also talked about his walking club that meets at Flamingo Park on Wednesdays to help spur healthy lifestyle. T-Shirts are included for participants.

Denise Lasarte discussed the Cooper City Cooper Academy open for registration. It is an 8 week program for residents to enroll in in order to learn the behind the scenes operation of the city, as well as the roles of the city staff. Each week will go over a different aspect of the city, such as Finance, Utilities, Recreation, Public works and so on. The sessions will be on Mondays from 6-8pm starting March 9th, and will open on first come first serve registration basis, since space is limited.

NEW BUSINESS:

Laurie brought up bringing back the Richardson 5K run the city used to host, but stopped last year. Stacie will look into why it was stopped and if it can be brought back.

OLD BUSINESS:

Issue of adding more restrooms to the Light Up Cooper City event mentioned due to large crowd.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

March 2, 2020

Motion to adjourn by Laurie Kruzel; seconded by Luz Wehmeyer and approved. Adjourned at 7:50pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board on 3/2/2020.

Certified Approved by Chair Signature

Allen Scott on 3/2/2020.