

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
March 2, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: By LuAnn Scott at 7:07pm

ROLL CALL:

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

Three guests present Lisa Emrekovic, Sydney Bleiweiss 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 David Duda the minutes from February 3, 2020; seconded by Laurie Kruzel and approved.

Directors Report – March 2020

PAST EVENTS:

- ✓ *Mayor's Chess Challenge – The Mayor's Chess Challenge took place on February 8th. We had approximately 50 participants. As a reminder, there is open chess play every Saturday at Pool and Tennis from 9:00am – 11:00am.*

- ✓ *Pageant – The Cooper City Pageant was held in February. The successful event has 4 new representatives now. Unfortunately, there was no Mr. Cooper City entries this year.*
 - *Ms. Cooper City (Senior) – Vanessa Massey*
 - *Miss Cooper City Teen – Darby Cook*
 - *Little Miss Cooper City – Margaret Wagner*
 - *Tiny Miss Cooper City – Loucy Mitchell*

- ✓ *Garage Sale Registration – The Community garage sale registration began. The event is scheduled for March 28th, but registration opened on February 26th. We currently sold 26 of the 63 spaces.*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Teen Twilight Egg Hunt Registration Begins

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Community Center

Founder's Day Event

Date: Saturday, March 14, 2020

Time: 7:30 a.m.

Location: Various Locations

Community Garage Sale

Date: Saturday, March 28, 2020

Time: 7:00a.m.

Location: Suellen H. Fardelmann Sports Complex

OTHER:

- a. Census Presentation, Lisa Emrekovic and Sydney Bleiweiss
- b. Commission Meetings this month – March 10th and March 24th
- c. Walking Club – As a reminder, the Walking Club meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Flamingo West and new Walking Club, Wednesdays at 5:30pm at Memorial Park
- d. Founder's Day Event – Planning is underway, event date is March 14th – if interested in driving please contact Brandon at the Community Center
- e. Say I do Update and Richardson 5k Update

ASSIGNED PARKS – Member Comments/Concerns

Ted Ferone Park – No Directions on how to use the equipment.

ARTS IN PARKS – Committee Update

- Planning on attending the April education advisory board meeting. Will have a further update pending this meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Lisa Emerkovic and Sydney Bleiweiss presented on the Census. They informed the Board on the benefits of completing the Census. They also identified the opportunities in which you can complete the Census.

- Census required every 10 years to count the amount of residents in town
- Determines our seats in Congress and helps redistribute the school districts
- Determines a fair share of funding for programs due to population
- Will be done online this time, answers are confidential and kept on file for 72 years, data is encrypted so safe
 - o Other mail and phone option available for those who are scared of privacy
- Census day is April 1st (Mails start March 12th)
- City will offer census days to help people fill it out if needed

Commsioner 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.

NEW BUSINESS:

None Reported

OLD BUSINESS:

Last meeting questions brought up on why the Say I Do around Valentine's Day and the Richardson 5K events have been cancelled. Both events were getting lower attendance to the point where it was more costly to have the event than the money it was making or raising.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

April 6, 2020

Motion to adjourn by Laurie Kruzel; seconded by Charmayne Dent and approved. Adjourned at 7:32pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board on 8/10/2020.

Certified Approved by Chair Signature

Ben A Scott on 8/10/2020.