

## **GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES November 7, 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; Diana Guidry, Vice Chairperson; Janet Arculeo, Jackie Fisher, Jerilyn Habenicht, Janice Malkoff, Lill Maniscalco, and Jada Pallagi, President of Cooper City High School Environmental Club and GAB student liaison.

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** Hardeep Anand, Geraldine DeBianchi, Bob Kirschbaum, treasurer

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Jeannette Wofford, City Liaison to GAB; Linda Kragh, GAB Recording Secretary, Emeritus to the Board

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**APPROVE THE MINUTES:** Diana Guidry made a motion to approve the October 3, 2019 minutes as amended. Janet Arculeo seconded, and the committee unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as amended.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Paul Kragh said the milkweed seed packets are paid for and the packets are in Jeanette's office. The seed packets will be inserted in the pots that the GAB purchased from the City of Cooper City Utilities Department and given out at the Senior Expo. The GAB account balance is currently \$1074, but the \$100 for the bamboo pots still needs to appear on the GAB spreadsheet. The GAB board will have \$974 left in their budget for the remainder of the fiscal year.

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

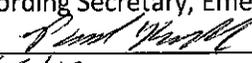
**NEW BUSINESS:** Paul Kragh connected his computer to the television in the meeting room, so the GAB board members were able to see the National Wildlife Federation's Community Wildlife Habitat website. The Sunrise page was viewed as an example of what could be posted on the city's page. The GAB board members made the following suggestions for the Community Wildlife Habitat photos on the Cooper City page: Prior Founders Days photos; Light Up Cooper City photo; Butterfly Garden sign photo; Cooper City Tree and Plant Workshop photo; Senior Expo photos; Pictures of Burrowing Owls at one of the Cooper City parks, Cooper City High School's Environment Club students at their new garden; Cooper City Community Wildlife banner; Current Board Members outside at Flamingo West Park natural area or Jerry Morgan Park and Yard of the Month photo. Paul asked Board members to look through their photos for pictures for the website. There was a discussion about having a link on the City of Cooper City website to jump to the National Wildlife Federation Community Wildlife page. The next item of new business was the installation of Wood Duck houses at the Flamingo West Park. Diana Guidry made a motion to spend up to \$150 for supplies to install the two Wood Duck houses and Jackie Fisher seconded the motion. The Green Board members unanimously agreed to this expenditure. The next item on the agenda was the craft for Light up Cooper City GAB booth. Diana Guidry made a motion to spend no more than \$50 on the craft. Jerilyn Habenicht seconded the motion. The GAB members unanimously agreed to this expenditure. There was a discussion to make sure the Cooper City Recreation Department gives us space for two tables. If the weather is inclement at Light Up Cooper

City, Jackie Fisher has a canopy the GAB can borrow. Jeannette Wofford believes the Wheelabrator tour is set for December 10 at 10 am and should run 1 hour. It will be at the Waste to Energy plant. There was a brief discussion of Board member attendance. Paul Kragh is going to send a letter to the Commissioner Green about the Board needing a full quorum for voting. Since Janice Malkoff is moving and has resigned, the GAB will need a new board member.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Jeannette Wofford said the milkweed seeds have arrived in her office and giving them away at the Senior Expo will promote the National Wildlife Federation Mayors' Monarch Pledge. There was a brief discussion about the expiring Walmart Wildflower seeds at the beginning of the board meeting. Jeannette received the seed packets and had a program at one of the Cooper City Elementary schools. She also gave out the seed packets to a few other schools. She has some left over if any board members have ideas of where she can give them away. Janet Arculeo spoke of her selection of Yard of the Month. Paul Kragh suggested that when board members are selecting a yard, a friend or family member drive the car so they can look at the houses. Also, there was a discussion of how to select homes that are in gated communities. Bike riding or walking was suggested for some communities. Paul Kragh gave a brief overview of Project Perches activities in the last month.

**MEMBER COMMENTS & CONCERNS:** Jada Pallagi gave a brief update on Cooper City High School environmental club activities. They are planning to install a garden near some portables. Jeannette Wofford will be giving the rest of the Walmart seeds to the Environmental Club for their garden.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 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 8:32 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 12/5/19, 2019.