

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
Monday, January 7, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: By LuAnn Scott at 7:11pm

ROLL CALL:

Those in attendance: LuAnn Scott, Cynthia Alfaro, Lee Aloni, David Duda, Laurie Kruzel, Luz Wehmeyer, Trinidad Gai and Charmayne Dent

Absent: Michael Mogerman,

Visitors: Felicia Trainor and Commissioner Howard Meltzer

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Lori Kruzel to approve the minutes from December 3, 2018; seconded by Trinidad Gai and approved.

RECREATION DIRECTOR’S REPORT –January 2019

PAST EVENTS:

✓ *Light Up Cooper City*

We kick off the holiday season with Light Up Cooper City on Friday, December 7th at Memorial Park! Everyone enjoyed the lights, community youth performances, bounce houses, train rides, craft fair and children's activities. There were even more in attendance than the previous year with approximately 5,000 people.

✓ *Brunch with Santa*

Everyone received a fantastic brunch including omelets, waffles, bagels, muffins, juice, pinwheel sandwiches and more. Then a special visitor from the North Pole stopped by and everyone received a photo with Santa. The kids were able to complete a craft project and participates in “holiday” games. There were approximately 130 people in attendance at this year’s event.

✓ *Holiday Home Decorating Contest*

Residents that caught the holiday spirit were able to enter in this contest in one of three categories: Most Creative, Most Lights and Best Decorated home. Winners were announced at the Light Up Cooper City event.

✓ *Movie At the Park – Holiday Edition*

It was a cold night this year, but there were still approximately 100 people that came out in blankets to enjoy this year's movie in the park, The Polar Bear Express.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

✓ *Senior Lifestyle Expo*

A showcase of activity programs, resources, products, and services that will add to your adult lifestyle. Learn about City services; gather information from our vendors on medical services, retirement opportunities, wellness, and more! Join us for free health screenings, complimentary refreshments and door prizes.

DATE: Saturday, January 12th
TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Cooper City High School
COST: Complimentary

✓ *Eat to the Beat At the Park*

Live music plus food trucks are the perfect combination for a fun family evening in Cooper City. Enjoy the live music while dining on a delicious variety of foods. Be sure to bring chairs, blankets and your appetites!

DATE: Friday, January 18th
AGE RANGE: All ages are invited to attend event
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Cooper City Sports Complex located at 11500 Stirling Road

✓ *Touch-A-Truck At the Park*

Do your kids like police cars, fire engines and construction trucks? Here's a chance for children to get up close, sit behind the wheel, honk the horn, and explore their favorite vehicles they see on the road every day.

DATE: Saturday, January 26th
AGE RANGE: All Ages Invited
TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Cooper City Sports Complex (corner of Stirling Road and Palm Avenue)
COST: Complimentary!

OTHER:

- a. Chris Garcia has announced her resignation. Her official last day will be January 23rd. She has accepted a position in the City of Parkland. She sends her best wishes and wants to express how truly happy she has been to be able to work with the advisory board over the three years she's been here.
- b. Commission Meetings this month – Tuesday, January 8th and Tuesday, January 22nd

ASSIGNED PARK UPDATES:

Sign on 106th indication Ted Ferone Park approach needs to be fixed, currently sign upside down

ARTS IN THE PARK

- Recommended benches with murals done by the local schools opposed to getting structural art

PUBLIC INPUT

Commissioner Howard Meltzer came to introduce himself to the board

NEW BUSINESS

- Recommendation for memorial pavers to be added to the city website
- Recommendation made for a better means of alerting the public of upcoming events. Facebook could be better updated with events as well as a possible marquee put up at the sports complex (splitting costs with the optimists)
- Autism awareness event with Davie recommended to be moved away from a holiday weekend

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Monday February 4, 2019

Motion to adjourn by Laurie Kruzel; Seconded by Luz Wehmeyer and approved at 8:00PM.

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board on _____ .

Certified Approved by Chair Signature

_____ on _____ .