

GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES February 7, 2019

ATTENDANCE: The following Green Advisory Board members were present at 6:04 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, Alyson Galen, Jerilyn Habenicht, Bob Kirschbaum, treasurer, Janice Malkoff, and Lill Maniscalco, Makani Kone, student liaison

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Howard Meltzer, City Commissioner District 2, Tina Hudson, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Commissioners, Linda Kragh, GAB secretary, Karen Wade, Cooper City resident

APPROVE THE MINUTES: Janice Malkoff made a motion to approve the January 3, 2019 minutes as written. Janet Arculeo seconded, and the committee unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Kirschbaum, treasurer informed the Green Board that \$905.00 was left in the budget. The GAB briefly discussed leaving the money in the account to use for nature signage at the Flamingo park when it opens later this year.

OPENING REMARKS: Tina Hudson, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Commissioners discussed Cooper City Founder's Day, registration for Cooper City Academy for residents which is an 8 class course starting March 11, 2019, Cooper City Food Drive and Kiwanis "Night Putting" charity event to support Cooper City High School on February 21, 2019. Commissioner Meltzer thanked the Green Board members for their participation in the Cooper City Senior Expo.

GUEST SPEAKER:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Karen Wade a resident of Darlington Place discussed having the businesses in Cooper City spruce up their landscaping. She asked the Green Board to check into the steps needed to get the businesses to comply with required landscaping code. The Board will contact Jeanette Wofford, City Arborist, about using Code Enforcement to require needed landscaping improvements on business property in Cooper City.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

NEW BUSINESS: The new GAB board member will not be appointed until the Commission meeting on February 20, 2019. His name is Hardeep Anand. GAB board members formed a committee to select Commissioner Pulcini's Yard of the Month for District 1. Janet Arculeo will make the final selection since she is Commissioner Pulcini's selection to the GAB. There was a discussion of Water Matter's Day and Cooper City not having a table. The Green Advisory Board decided that it was more important to talk to Cooper City Residents at the Founder's Day event that is on the same date. GAB members discussed how many students and GAB members will be needed to be present at the booth on Cooper City Founder's Day. They discussed giveaways for the event. Janice Malkoff made a motion for an expenditure of \$20 for the Cooper City Founder's Day event. Jerilyn Habenicht seconded the motion. It passed. There was a brief discussion about getting a picture of the new Green Advisory Board members to put on the Cooper City website and updating the members names on the website. Paul Kragh reviewed the mission statement for the advisory board. There was a discussion of changing the mission statement. Tina Hudson is going to find the Cooper City Commission Resolution that started

the board to see if the mission statement is part of the resolution. Jerilyn Habenicht moved to change the mission statement. Janice Malkoff seconded this motion. The mission statement will read, "To make recommendations to the Cooper City Commission on ways to develop and implement conservation strategies that promote an environmentally sustainable community." There was a discussion of this years GAB focus. This is still a work in progress.

OLD BUSINESS: Janice Malkoff gave a brief synopsis of Cooper City Senior Expo. The GAB table was very busy and GAB members spoke to many seniors about getting their lawn certified. The GAB members discussed the selection of the Yard of the Month for Commissioner Meltzer. The committee members enjoyed visiting neighborhoods that they had never seen.

MEMBER COMMENTS & CONCERNS: Jeri Habenicht spoke about the "Food Rescue" program at Pioneer Middle School. Paul talked about the projects he is doing for South Florida Audubon Project Perch. Janice Malkoff discussed the Native Plant Society grant for native orchids for \$4.00 a piece to be planted in trees in Cooper City. GAB members asked her to find out more information about the program. The GAB members wanted to thank Commissioner Meltzer for obtaining 2 tables at the Cooper City Senior Expo. Jerilyn Habenicht wanted to thank Tina Hudson for handing out volunteer applications for the Pioneer Food Rescue program at the Cooper City Senior Fair. There was a brief discussion of the Waste Management scholarship deadline.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion duly made and seconded by Janice Malkoff and Lill Maniscalco respectively, it was unanimously VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 PM. Minutes submitted by Linda Kragh, GAB Secretary. The foregoing Minutes were approved by vote and signed by  Paul Kragh, Chairperson of the Green Advisory Board, on 3/7, 2019.

GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

SIGNATURES

MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, February 7, 2019

BOARD MEMBER NAMES:

Saul Krup
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Lillian Marsolice

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Jekki Fish

Cydon Galen

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Janet Acules

Dorlyn Havenst

Diane Luddy

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Makani kone

Linda Krup

HOWARD MELTZER

Karen Wade

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