



**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:30 PM with Ryley Edmunds leading the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer, Green, Curran and Mayor Ross.

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS

Items 12-a-1, 12-a-2 and 12-k were pulled from the Agenda.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

The Commission made the following announcements:

- Cooper City Open Play Chess continues each Saturday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Pool & Tennis Center with the Mayors Chess Challenge on each third Saturday. Instruction is available. For more information, call 954-434-7300. The first Scholastic Mayors Chess Challenge of the 2019/2020 school years will be hosted by the City of Deerfield Beach located at 50 Hillsboro Technology Drive, Deerfield Beach.
- Recreation's Kids Day Off Program will begin registration on August 12 and continues throughout the school year. Call 954-434-4300 Ext. 233 for more information.
- Recreation hosts many events for Active Adults. Please call Gina, our Adult Programs Coordinator at 954-434-4300 Ext. 255 and ask about all the programs and services we offer.
- The Pool and Tennis Center has been equipped with a new receiver and speaker system. Check out the new system at the Pool and Tennis Center.
- The 2020 Census will be sending out representatives who will canvas the neighborhoods in Broward County from August 4, 2019 through October 18, 2019. Their badges will easily identify the representatives.
- Paws in the ark will be held on Saturday August 24, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Forest lake Park. We will be accepting food donations on behalf of the Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center.

- Tickets for Mom and Son Night of Fun will go on sale on Wednesday August 28, 2019. The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Community Center.
- Upcoming Commission Meetings: Special Commission Meeting on August 23, 2019. First Budget Hearing on Thursday September 12, 2019. Second and Final Budget Hearing on September 25, 2019. Commission meetings are scheduled at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Auditorium located at 9090 SW 50 Place.

The Commission made the following presentations:

- a. September Yard of the Month was presented to Rodolfo and Stephanie Steckerl.
- b. Ryley Edmunds was recognized for his for Boy Scout Ranking.
- c. Lieutenant Andrea Tianga was presented with a Proclamation.
- d. David Duda presented a Grandparents Pool Safety Program
- e. Commissioner Pulcini was presented a certificate of appreciation from the Hispanic Unity of Florida for his advocacy of the VITA program.
- f. Commissioner Meltzer was presented with a certificate of completion from the Florida League of Cities FLC, University for completing the 2019 Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO) course.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

a. Open Public Meeting

Donna King, 11954 SW 55 St, Chair of the Senior Advisory Board asked that the Senior Advisory Board keep the same amount of funds they were budgeted last year. She also spoke on some upcoming Board initiatives.

Commissioner Meltzer thanked Donna and the Board.

Jennifer Goldfarb, 11869 SW 55 St, spoke about the increase of fees for recreation and the upgrade of the equipment making the agenda.

Jackson Self, 2800 Palm Ave, advised he is the new Principal at Renaissance Charter at Cooper City and he wants to further the school's relationship with the City. Their 5k for Breast Cancer Awareness walk/run will be held on October 12, 2019 and he wanted to invite the Commission.

Mayor Ross said he missed Mr. Self at the Principals Breakfast but he did have coverage.

David Nall, is glad 12-a-1 and 12-a-2 were pulled. He also wants to know if the residents could ask the City Manager candidates questions at the next meeting questions.

Mayor Ross answered yes.

Mr. Nall asked do we have usage numbers and mileage on the current boom truck we have now.

Public Works Director Denise Yoezle answered she does not have that information.

Mr. Nall said that information is crucial to know to decide if we need a new truck. If it's not used that often we can buy it used. He also asked on the progress of the BSO contract.

Interim City Manager Sims answered she has a BSO negotiation meeting on Thursday.

Mr. Nall asked what the Commission planned for the BSO contract.

Commissioner Meltzer said he believes if the contract laps, the City has the option of engaging with BSO for up for another 12 months. A 12-month transitional period.

Mr. Nall asked what our plans are.

Mayor Ross said we are not limited to our plans.

Mr. Nall said we need a plan.

Mayor Ross advised Comcast channel 78 is not working.

Commissioner Meltzer also said he has questions on the boom truck and they will be discussed later in the meeting.

b. Agenda Concerns

6. LAND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

(Florida court rulings now require all land development matters to be considered by the City Commission in a quasi-judicial process. All persons who wish to give testimony or present evidence must be sworn in. Copies of the complete procedures are available in the Office of the City Clerk).

a. Variance Petition

1. Resolution 19-8-5 – Growth Management

City Attorney Horowitz read "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, GRANTING THE REQUEST FOR VARIANCE PETITION #V 5-1-19 FROM WEINGARTEN REALTY INVESTORS FOR THE PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT 2501-2731 N. HIATUS ROAD, COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES FROM 751 TO 717; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Commissioner Pulcini said that he has concerns with parking variances. He advised he went twice to this plaza and could not find parking. He said that current businesses will suffer with parking issues if we allow the CrossFit. He does think the variance should be granted.

Mayor Ross said the difference is 34 spots. He advised its best to park further away for health reasons. He understands why the variance is on the agenda.

Growth Management Director Matt Wood advised the applicant is here.

Mayor Ross swore in all who wished to speak.

Mike Troxell from Thomas Engineering and Ryan Tuff from Weingarten Realty were present and spoke on the Variance petition. Mr. Troxell advised there is enough parking and said the center is not fully occupied. The restaurant is in the corner and as businesses; come in parking spaces will be used. Mr. Tuff advised Bogarts was moved to the end 2 years ago recently lighting was upgraded around the back of the shopping center. Mr. Tuff said he spoke to Bogarts and they had no concerns.

Commissioner Pulcini had concerns with the way we are assigning parking spots. The formula may be flawed.

Mr. Wood said the variance would help this particular shopping center to rent to community type uses. The applicant did conduct a traffic study that took into account traffic and parking.

Mayor Ross asked what the 34 spaces are for.

Mr. Troxell said it would be for assembly type uses.

Commissioner Curran said Fit for Life's hours of operation wouldn't hinder Bogarts. He said there are so many parking options. Mix-uses could allow extra life in the shopping center. He is in total support of the item.

Mr. Tuff said he took into consideration Bogarts when looking into this Variance.

Commissioner Meltzer said he agrees to a point with Commissioner Pulcini as he has experienced problems finding parking at Bogarts. He asked about adding signs to designate parking for the businesses.

Mr. Tuff said he did add 15-minute parking spaces to help the hair salon. There are 5 dedicated to short term parking. They also could add signs indication extra parking in the back.

Commissioner Meltzer said they overbuilt 18 spaces when the plaza was built. He said usually people go to CrossFit early in the morning or later at night. He also asked what happens when Lucky's opens.

Mr. Troxell said he did look at the vacancies and applied a peaking factor.

Commissioner Pulcini said also, when it rains the parking lot where the gas station is located floods. So, drainage issues need to be addressed.

Mr. Tuff said he has been working on that issue for 3 years. He has been working with Cooper City Utilities and also has a contractor clean the drains.

Commissioner Pulcini wants to verify the 717 spots available in the rain.

Commissioner Pulcini made a motion that we table the Item until it rains.

MOTION: To table Item 6-a-1 until it rains to verify the 717 parking spots.
Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. No second. **Motion dies.**

Commissioner Pulcini also asked about future plans and how this will affect the future of the parking center. He said the parking there is an issue and he doesn't understand why we are willing to make it worse.

Mr. Tuff said that business there are asking them for help to bring in other businesses.

Mayor Ross opened the Public meeting.

David Nall, said that the shopping center is looking less attractive. The more tenants they receive the more money can go to help fix the center. In addition, we can look into ways to increase our tax base.

Robert Goltz, spoke on his work on economic development and said some developers will utilize parking lots differently. He recommended employees should park in the back as an contingency.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if that is possible.

Mr. Tuff said they do currently promote that.

Mayor Ross closed the public meeting.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 19-8-5. Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. **Motion passed.**

Mayor Ross reopened Public Speaking as a speaker came in late. The Commission agreed.

Brent Rosenberg, 5200 SW 90 Ave, spoke on concerns with bulk pickup. He said that construction debris is being left out when construction debris should not be left out.

Mayor Ross asked Chief Cates to contact Sergeant Erdelyi and look into it. He also said he had concerns with 5143 SW 90 Ave, 5173 SW 90 Ave, 5201 SW 52, 9015 SW 51 Place. He advised these were violations when he served as magistrate. Mayor Ross said she spoke with the Sergeant previously but needs action on the additional addresses.

Commissioner Meltzer advised these homes had the bulk out a week ago. He said P&Z went over these issues. But we need to enforce the rules.

Mayor Ross asked Interim City Manager Sims to contact Waste Management.

Mr. Rosenberg said this is a reoccurring issue that needs to be addressed.

7. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a. Public Safety Advisory Board Update – Administration

None.

b. Finance Board Update – Finance

Jennifer Goldfarb, Board Secretary said the board last met on July 23, 2019 and some items discussed were the Emergency line of credit and health insurance recommendations. The Board made a motion to renew the current plan we have and continue to pay 100% of employee coverage however to move to four tiers instead of two. They also recommended reducing the contribution from 70% to 60% of the family plan. She also said the bad debt is on the FAB agenda.

c. Optimist Club Monthly Update – Administration/Commissioner Curran

Pete Schlang advised 550 children are signed up for baseball. Softball has 160 girls, seasons start in September. Basketball is signing up the fall program with 400 registrations, 50 more than last fall. Soccer signups start now online. Flag football has started with 350 children registered up from last year. Tackle football has 195 players and 105 cheerleaders. The first home game was this past weekend there are three remaining home games. Adult volleyball is ongoing, with two levels available.

Mayor Ross asked if based is up or down from last year.

Mr. Schlang responded up by about 40.

d. Monthly Financial Report – Finance

Mrs. Walker advised for the July monthly financials the funds are coming in strong and we should exceed the budget overall. All departments besides Legal and the Parking lot are coming in at or below budget. The capital projects fund cash appears negative and will continue to reflect 0 until the Grants are in for the park and until the interfund loan is recorded.

Commissioner Meltzer thanked Mrs. Walker for the report three weeks in to the month. He did ask about the general fund licenses and permit were are \$281,000 over budgeted expected, is this due to the Walmart refund.

Mrs. Walker answered that is not due to the Walmart refund its due to Special Magistrate fee collections.

Commissioner Meltzer asked for a breakdown of fees from Special Magistrate. He also asked about the debt service fund will there be a balance.

Mrs. Walker answered yes she will ask the next auditor what we can do with the funds.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if we have looked into starting the agency fund.

Mrs. Walker will talk to the auditors. It's an agency fund for Waste Management.

8. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Cates advised we have 1 lieutenant vacancy, 1 sergeant vacancy, 2 deputy vacancies and 1 CSA vacancy. They did fill 1 CSA vacancy and look to fill the other shortly. He advised of the back to school operation plan. The first weeks are always chaotic as patterns start to form with new parents and new students. Renaissance changed their pattern and it helped a lot. The 2nd day of school everything was cleared by 2:18 PM. Pioneer is a work in progress, the principal sent out a parent link to advise parents gates will not open until 3:30 PM and BSO will be enforcing non stopping on 90th. He advised parents to arrive as close to 3:30 PM as possible. Cooper City High school has improved with the church parking. Compliments from downtown were received with the extra presence around the schools. Chief also thanked Lt. Tianga and spoke of crime rates decreasing 39% and her part in those decrease. He commended the Charter schools for signing an agreement to comply with the MSD Act. The schools are paying the overtime. Lastly, he spoke on the Breakfast with the Principals event and thank the City for putting on the event.

Commissioner Curran spoke on Coopers Point and issues with parking. The high school meets with the church to allow parking for the high school but issues occur with Pioneer using the lot and not adhering to the stacking rule. Commissioner Curran asked Chief Cates to look into it.

Commissioner Green asked if BSO has the ability to ticket individuals who are parking in Coopers Point.

Chief Cates answered it is not a private community so anyone can load or unload but waiting is a catch point. They can ticket anyone except people parking in the park.

Commissioner Green asked if any residents have been ticketed thus far for parking in front of resident's homes.

Chief Cates will look into it.

Commissioner Meltzer is happy with the letter sent by Pioneer and said it's up to BSO to enforce it. He would like to encourage all schools to send a similar letter. He asked if letters went home at every school.

Chief Cates answered he believes Embassy and Cooper City Elementary.

Commissioner Meltzer asked about the issue with Franklin Academy.

City Attorney Horowitz and his office is working with Finance to determine the costs the City occurred. They are also addressing how to address SRO's specifically with BSO.

Mayor Ross asked along with the letters can we address future concerns of Pioneer and High School students cutting across residents' lawns.

Commissioner Meltzer also has heard concerns in the 54 to 5600 blocks by Pioneer of cars parking in the swales and students then walking to school.

City Attorney Horowitz will look at the code and work with the Growth Management Department.

Commissioner Meltzer is asking for a remedy, maybe adding parking to Cooper City High School.

9. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Caruso advised they just completed vehicle stabilization training for all shifts and thanks A&B towing for their assistance. The CERT team was activated and provide fire fighter rehab for the training. BSO Fire also participated in summer camp career days. He also advised BSO Fire completed defibrillator training with the new defibrillator. Both DLE and Fire participated in the fill the bus campaign and Cooper City was one of the most successful of areas that weekend.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if the extra fees were added for the EMS calls for the ALF's.

Chief Caruso answered yes they started a few months ago.

Commissioner Pulcini asked Chief Cates if the deputy includes traffic detail.

Chief Cates answered no; they do have a security company that helps direct traffic on the property. There is traffic concerns going north bound on Flamingo Road.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if they are required to provide a traffic detail.

City Attorney Horowitz answered they are required to provide a detail.

Mrs. Sims advised she sent a letter to Franklin letting them know they are in violation of the use.

Commissioner Meltzer asked how long this has been going on.

Mrs. Sims answered they have been using the private company since last year.

City Attorney Horowitz said that Kathryn took the first step in alerting them in sending the letter. The SRO issue is separate.

Mrs. Sims advised they have until September 9 to comply.

Commissioner Curran asked if there company is on the roadway.

Mayor Ross said Chief stated they are on their property but they are not in compliance.

Commissioner Meltzer said he attended the adult luncheon and advised Chief's team was very informational and thanked him for his community outreach.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes

1. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2019
2. Special Commission Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2019
3. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2019
4. Commission Budget Workshop Minutes of April 16, 2019

b. Resolutions

1. Resolution 19-8-1 – Utilities

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A WATER AND SEWER DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT WITH HECTOR JAVIER MEJIA AND ANA CRISTINA RODRIGUEZ AT 3810 NW 92 AVENUE, ROYAL PALM RANCHES, COOPER CITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

2. Resolution 19-8-3 – Growth Management

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY TO EXECUTE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BROWARD COUNTY AND THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) RELATING TO THE COUNTY 1% TRANSPORTATION SURTAX LEVY, ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Meltzer asked if the minutes are being caught up on.

Mrs. Sims answered yes, she originally placed 10 on the agenda but pulled some off due to the length of other items.

MOTION: To approve Consent agenda.

Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

11. RESOLUTIONS

a. Resolution 19-7-3 – Recreation

City Attorney Horowitz read "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS AND FACILITY RENTALS, AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Commissioner Meltzer asked about the fees for field usage for the parks and asked if we should be charging more for Flamingo West Park as it is a newer and has more advanced fields.

Mrs. Yoezle answered the reason they are treated equally the natural grass fields require more work. Staff spent a great deal of time looking at neighboring municipalities. Fields are very in affordable for residents. She can provide others municipality's rates if needed.

Commissioner Meltzer would like those rates and also asked if the prices are hourly for field rentals.

Mrs. Yoezle said it's the hourly rate. She can clarify that.

Commissioner Meltzer also asked if the lighting fee is by hour and to clarify that as well. He also asked when was the last time the fitness membership room fee was raised. Due to us gaining new equipment maybe we can charge \$150.00.

Mrs. Yoezle said they do look at neighboring gyms and felt these increases were fair.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Jen Goldfarb if the fitness room fee was discussed in the FAB recommendations.

Mrs. Goldfarb said it was discussed and decided they should wait until the room was upgraded.

Commissioner Pulcini said he requested an analysis of what we could charge to have the fitness room be self-efficient.

Mrs. Sims advised they are working on that information.

Commissioner Meltzer if there is a membership for the pool and splash pad.

Mrs. Yoezle answered she believes it included in a combo.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if the rental fees are online.

Mrs. Yoezle said it is online if you search rentals.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 19-7-3

Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

b. Resolution 19-8-2- Finance

City Attorney Horowitz read "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE EMERGENCY COMPENSATION POLICY, ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title .

Commissioner Meltzer wants to ensure this will be submitted to FEMA after adoption.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if this is sufficient for FEMA.

Mrs. Sims answered yes.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 19-8-2

Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

c. Resolution 19-8-4 – Finance

City Attorney Horowitz read "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND TD BANK, N.A. FOR AN EMERGENCY LINE OF CREDIT REVOLVING LOAN, ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; FINDING THAT ENTERING INTO THE AGREEMENT WITH TD BANK, N.A. IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-258(I) OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Commissioner Meltzer said members of the FAB inquire as to why we are doing this right now. He said after speaking with Kathryn we need to secure this now as hurricane season is lively.

Commissioner Pulcini said we all received the email from the FAB member that wanted to review the contract before the Commission voted. He would prefer to postpone it out of respect to the Board member.

Commissioner Green asked if there is a motion to table.

Commissioner Pulcini made a motion to defer the item until FAB reviews it.

MOTION: To defer the item until the Finance Advisory Board reviews it. No second.
Motion died.

Commissioner Meltzer asked the City Attorney if he reviewed the contract.

City Attorney Horowitz answered yes they are legally comfortable and Bond council will need to review the closing.

Mayor Ross asked what the concerns are with deferring the item.

Mrs. Sims answered if we were to wait for the next FAB meeting we would be waiting until September 17, 2019 with the next Commission meeting schedule for September 24, 2019. The underwriting takes 30 days and that would leave us in October.

Mayor Ross also asked about another company that submitted a quote that Mr. Sherwood spoke about.

Jen Goldfarb said that the FAB reached a consensus to move forward with TD Bank. Mr. Sherwood did prefer to look at the contract but the Board recommended TD Bank.

Mayor Ross said he appreciates the Board and Mr. Sherwood for their service.

Commissioner Pulcini asked how much cash we have available in the City.

Mrs. Walker said approximately over 10 million.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if we can wait.

Mayor Ross answered if he willing to gamble he can.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 19-8-4
Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. Commissioner Pulcini, No. Commissioners Meltzer, Green, Curran and Mayor Ross, Yes Motion passed.

12. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. 1.** Motion to reconsider the engagement of Conceptual Communications, LLC for public relations and marketing services – **Commissioner Meltzer**
- 2.** Motion to approve the engagement of Conceptual Communications, LLC for public relations and marketing services – **Commissioner Meltzer**
- b.** Motion to approve the utilization of the Broward County Pavement Resurface and Repair Contract – **Public Works**

City Attorney Horowitz advised the contract refers to an end date of March 2020 and it should be June of 2020.

MOTION: To approve the utilization of the Broward County Pavement Resurface and Repair contract. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

c. Motion to approve a contract with Raftelis for update of the Water and Sewer Funds Financial Forecast and Stormwater Fund Rate Study – **Utilities**

Commissioner Curran asked Mr. Baily if we need it, has it been bid, do we have the funds for it.

Mr. Bailey answered yes to all questions.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Mr. Bailey if we have had a previous rate study.

Mr. Bailey answered we have never had a rate study on the Storm water fund.

Mayor Ross asked the timeframe.

Mr. Bailey answered about 90 days.

MOTION: To approve a contract with Raftelis for update of the Water and Sewer Funds Financial Forecast and Stormwater Fund Rate Study **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

d. Motion to approve the purchase of a standby bypass pump for wastewater pumping station #41, using the current Florida Sheriff's Association contract for vehicles and equipment– **Utilities**

Commissioner Meltzer said we have two quotes from Thompson that are a \$24,000 difference is it due to one from purchasing from FSA compared to purchasing ourselves.

Mr. Bailey answered that is correct.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Mr. Bailey is it necessary, budgeted for, it was not bid but you checked vendors.

Mr. Bailey answered yes to all.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of a standby bypass pump for wastewater pumping station #41, using the current Florida Sheriff's Association contract for vehicles and equipment. **Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

e. Motion to approve the purchase of bucket truck procured with ITB 2019-10-PW – Public Works

Commissioner Meltzer asked what the truck will be used for

Mrs. Yoezle answered some tree trimming, some light work, some cat rescues, work in the RV lots, the parking lot lights, sport lights and tennis courts. It is used often.

Commissioner Meltzer asked did we look at a tow behind.

Mrs. Yoezle answered no due to safety factors and height issues. The max height we need is 65 feet.

Commissioner Meltzer said he found a nifty lift tm 64 that has a 70 foot working height for \$71,00 will we be compromising the safety of our employees with this.

Mrs. Yoezle answered yes, that would not give us the footprint we need on the road. The bucket truck has been a yearlong process. The city bid saved \$22,000 and she said this is essential. She said we don't count hours or miles. It will last years.

Commissioner Meltzer asked what are the plans for the existing bucket truck.

Mrs. Yoezle answered we will auction it.

Commissioner Curran said he would not buy any truck named nifty. He spoke of nifty's and their instability. He supports the truck purchase.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if we subcontract any tree trimming.

Mrs. Yoezle answered yes.

Commissioner Pulcini asked who cuts the trees on Flamingo.

Mrs. Yoezle answered the contractor does.

Commissioner Pulcini said then we do not need the Bucket truck for Flamingo Road.

Mrs. Yoezle said our trees do not trim on the major rights of ways.

Commissioner Pulcini asked what we need the truck for.

Mrs. Yoezle answered for the tennis court lighting, parking lot lightning, street light work, saving animals and other miscellaneous things.

Commissioner Pulcini would of liked to see a cash flow analysis. Also the difference between leasing and purchasing.

Commissioner Meltzer said FP&L uses the niftys and they are OSHA approved.

Mrs. Yoezle said she doesn't see FP&L using those on the main roads. She doesn't recommend a nifty for the operations of a Public Works Department. She advised she looked into owning, leasing and renting. She believes the Sheriffs Bid is the best route.

Mayor Ross asked why we did not look into the lease if the vehicle is not heavily used.

Mrs. Yoezle answered we did look into a lease. She said the cost savings is not significant. In her opinion, the leasing options are not the height they need.

Mayor Ross asked if this bucket truck will be out for service like the quint.

Mrs. Yoezle answered no.

Mayor Ross asked Chief Caruso how long the quint has been out of service.

Chief Caruso answered up to 125 days for this calendar year.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of bucket truck procured with ITB 2019-10-PW **Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. Commissioner Pulcini, Meltzer, and Mayor Ross, No. Commissioners Green and Curran, Yes. Motion failed.**

Mayor Ross would like to see lease options.

f. Motion to approve an agreement with Above All Garage Door of South Florida through the SFGPC contract ITB 2016-17/31 to supply and install rollup bay doors at the Fire Station utilizing the 75% reimbursable FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant 4337-100-R – **Public Works**

Commissioner Pulcini said he would of liked to see the sideway doors.

Commissioner Meltzer asked if the impact windows are the same 70% grant for each.

Mrs. Yoezle answered yes.

MOTION: To approve an agreement with Above All Garage Door of South Florida. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

g. Motion to approve the purchase of exercise equipment from The Fitness Solution, Inc. – **Public Works**

Commissioner Meltzer is hoping that we can get the usage and rates up for the gym with these upgrades. He also thanked Purchasing for their vetting of the references and backup.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of exercise equipment from The Fitness Solution, Inc. **Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

h. Motion to approve an agreement with the Gehring Group for the City's Agent of Record – **Administration**

Commissioner Meltzer asked if it possible to ask them to save us the most amount possible by offering them an incentive.

City Attorney Horowitz said contingency fee arrangements are against public policy in Florida law.

Mayor Ross said there are representatives present from Gehring Group.

Kurt Gehring spoke and said he is available for any questions.

MOTION: To approve an agreement with the Gehring Group for the City's Agent of Record **Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

i. Discussion on approval process of overtime for Executive Assistant to the Elected Officials – **Commission**

Commissioner Pulcini said this item was brought up in the Budget Workshop and moving her possibly to salary. He spoke with Tina Hudson and she would like to discuss a raise, workload and having an assistant. He said she sent him her job description and her work load to be placed in the backup.

Commissioner Meltzer asked for her job description.

Mrs. Sims said the item was placed to discuss her overtime not her job description.

Mayor Ross said he agrees the item is about overtime and approving the process. The alternative is to make her salary.

Mayor Ross advised he does not like receiving information the night of a meeting or in this case in the middle of a meeting.

Commissioner Curran said if a commissioner places an item on the agenda his name should be written on the agenda.

Commissioner Meltzer would like an overtime history and the job description is relevant.

MOTION: To table Item 12-i. Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. Commissioners Meltzer and Pulcini, No. Commissioners Green, Curran and Mayor Ross, Yes. Motion passed.

j. Discussion on Optimist Liaison position – Mayor Ross

Mayor Ross said the Charter is clear that the liaison should be staff in particular the Recreation Director or the City Manager. Mayor Ross said that as a Commissioner he should not be treated any differently than other Commissioner's. He believes he is treated differently. There is no requirement that he serve as liaison. He also believes the police liaison position should also be the City Manager. He does not see the benefit of him being the liaison.

Commissioner Meltzer agrees with Mayor. He also asked what the roles and duties are of the position.

Commissioner Pulcini said he has no opinion either way. He believes it's easier to give up the position and put the issue to rest. He believes the title does not matter, he can get rid of the negatively with losing the title and continue to do what he currently does.

Commissioner Curran said its matter to the individual who is serving in that capacity. He is taking into account that Commissioner Curran has been an Optimist member for more than 20 years who has a vested interest in the City pertaining to sports in the City. He does not have an issue with him serving as a liaison or an issue with any Board any Commissioner serves on. If we are looking at one Commissioner serving, let's look at all roles. He also said if it's not a big deal why do we need to remove him.

Commissioner Pulcini said it is a big deal because it keeps coming up. He sees Commissioner Curran working on the fields and its great. But to some it's a large deal.

Commissioner Curran said he has been a part of the Optimist for 26 years and never once has he stepped over any boundary. He said the is the liaison not the designee. He holds on to the position because until November 6 it has never been an issue. If anyone here wants it he would give it up tonight. He coaches 7 teams a year. He could say he is the best person to speak on

the field's conditions and coaching. He also said you're not taking anything, he will still do what he is doing now. If it really does not mean anything, why is it an issue? He has not seen anyone out there coaching as he does.

Mayor Ross said there is no such position as liaison. He believes he has done what he has done best with working with Optimist and he appreciates that and thanks Commissioner Curran for his work. The issue is the process. The City staff needs to be the liaison. He does not want Commissioner Curran to stop but the designee needs to be brought back to the City Manager.

Commissioner Meltzer said this is not personal about the position of the Optimist liaison. There are no rules or duties of the position. His difficulty is what is the position. He asked Commissioner who is he the liaison to and shouldn't he be giving feedback to the commission.

Commissioner Curran said that he was brought on to help be a liaison between Public Works and the Optimist when they were not seeing eye to eye. He said he also stepped out of negotiations. The position was a sounding board. He takes it personal because he is dedicated as a coach and there is no fault or difficulty to having the position.

Commissioner Green asked the City Attorney if there is a problem with having the Commissioner serve as the liaison.

City Attorney Horowitz answered no, he issued a memorandum in January with that answer. The liaison position is separate from the designee position.

MOTION: To have the liaison position sent back to the City Manager or whom she determines as a designee. **Moved by Mayor Ross. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioner Pulcini, Meltzer and Mayor Ross, Yes. Commissioners Green and Curran, No. Motion passed.**

k. Discussion on possible initiatives and commendations for local businesses – **Commissioner Curran**

l. Discussion on accounts receivables process – **Commissioner Pulcini**

Mrs. Walker explained a request was made by Commissioner Pulcini to adopt an allowance policy for EMS receivables. He requested we adopt an allowance policy of 100% of the outstanding receivables so we have no net affect in our fund balance at any time.

Commissioner Pulcini said the general fund is a modified accrued basis when we receive accounts receivables, we should record it to differed revenue, we been recording it to revenue. The fund balance may be overstated due to that.

Commissioner Meltzer asked where the allowance of 9/30/18 as 879,803, where did that number come from.

Mrs. Walker said that is our allowance balance today.

Commissioner Meltzer said it looks like 90% of receivables are over 90 days and it may be better to break it down further.

Commissioner Pulcini said we will write them off. Over 60 days after year end.

Mrs. Walker said the third party biller takes 90 days. If you want to write it off you take it off the books. 60 days is too short.

Commissioner Meltzer said the goal is to not over state fund balance and he thanked Commissioner Pulcini for bringing forth the item.

Mayor Ross asked for a clarification with intermedics.

Mrs. Walker said Intermedics is our biller, fir the first 3 months they send out 3 bills, after that a collection agency collects the dues with a 15% fee.

Mayor Ross asked why we have a collection agency instead of a law firm.

Mrs. Walker answered it's not our contract its BSO.

Mayor Ross asked when do they give up, do we have a list.

Mrs. Walker will follow up on that.

Mrs. Walker said they are following up it just may take awhile.

Commissioner Green asked Mrs. Walker the backup material is the policy.

Mrs. Walker answered yes.

Commissioner Curran asked if we are using the company BSO recommends.

Mrs. Walker said this will be our policy.

Commissioner Curran said BSO is not out of any money.

Mrs. Walker said the policy will recognize the cash when we receive it.

Commissioner Curran said all the bad debt were pushing off is paid by the residents. He believes we need a lawyer going after the debt.

Mrs. Walker said this is an accounting policy.

Commissioner Pulcini said we have been recognizing revenue incorrectly according to accounting standards.

Commissioner Curran asked if this is a Cooper City policy.

Commissioner Pulcini said yes.

Commissioner Meltzer said we could add the collection issue to the agenda in the future.

MOTION: To approve the accounts receivable policy as presented by the Finance Director regarding EMS receivables and expensing the amounts.
Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

m. Discussion on possible automatic aid agreements- Commissioner Pulcini

Commissioner Pulcini said right now we have mutual aid agreements so if there is a fire we have to call and see if we need to intervene. With automatic aid if we see a fire we automatically intervene.

Commissioner Green said for historical purposes we previously had a automatic aid agreement with Davie. It was dissolved because they were spending too much time in Davie.

Chief Caruso said that is correct.

Commissioner Green said what affect will this have if residents don't see our fire here.

Commissioner Pulcini said at that time we had one rescue and Davie did not have the assisted living facility. Time has come to revisit the issue. Maybe they are not interested but we can at least reach out.

Commissioner Curran said he does not believe Davie needs us as they built more stations. He also does not want to reach out until we have a agreement. Oakland Park has an agreement with BSO and their automatic aid said they will send certain number of personnel. He asked how many time in the past 60 days Davie has been here.

Chief Caruso answered 3 or 4 times in the last 60 days. When he came to Cooper City 5 years ago by calendar year they were her close to 100-125 times.

Commissioner Pulcini said it may be need in Country Glen.

Chief Caruso said the repose time for Cooper City is about 6-8 minutes depending on traffic. Geographically davie is closer if they are available. But call volumes are very low in that area.

Mayor Ross said it may not be the time for this.

n. Discussion on possible amendment to Resolution 19-4-7 (to address Commission comment rotation)- **Commissioner Pulcini**

Commissioner Pulcini said he would like two meetings in the summer months. He made a motion to have two meetings in the summer months of June, July and August.

Commissioner Meltzer recommended having a budget meeting in July instead of a workshop. Added as a friendly amendment.

Commissioner Curran said there is no information for voting in that month. He also the Interim City Manager to speak on August and the reason for one meeting.

Interim City Manager Sims said that allows vacations for the Commission and staff.

Commissioner Curran suggested to not make Directors attend the August meeting.

Commissioner Pulcini said he had no issue with staff missing the meetings.

Commissioner Green asked to clarify.

Commissioner Green asked if we can eliminate the budget workshops.

Mrs. Sims answered no. The Charter states they need to be workshops.

City Attorney Horowitz said that Charter requires no less than 2 open public meetings.

Commissioner Meltzer stated it 2 meetings in June, 2 in July both incorporating the budget in each and 2 in August.

MOTION: To have two meetings in June, July, and August in the summer months. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

Commissioner Pulcini said the next part of his item is to move to open discussion after each Commissioner goes around once timed for 4 minutes. He believes this it will accomplish more much faster.

Commissioner Meltzer said he would rather move to just open dialogue as they did in the Workshops.

Commissioner Green said he prefers structure. If we have a order in place for the residents we should have structure to.

Commissioner Curran said he likes the way it goes currently.

Mayor Ross said he has no issue but if it is a discussion we can talk and he will need to end the discussion at a certain time.

MOTION: To move to open dialogue after the first timed go around of 4 minutes. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer, and Mayor Ross, Yes. Commissioners Green and Curran, No. Motion passed.**

o. Discussion on the City Commission's compensation package and city wide health insurance benefits – **Mayor Ross**

Mayor Ross said he added this item after the FAB recommendation were received. If we look at compensation packages compared to other City's we are close to the bottom. The stipend now includes phone purchase. There are 2 recommendations in the backup. One from the Employee Advisory Committee and one from the Finance Advisory Board. Mayor Ross said 100% is covered for employees. The city pays 70% for family coverage. He said is in favor of reducing the stipend from \$140.00 to 100.00 and reducing the health insurance benefits with following the FAB recommendation. Her said the FAB offers more of a City cost savings. He advised he receives \$1200 a month for compensation and the Commission receives \$1000 a month. He said and he doesn't ask for millage or gas anywhere in the tri county area. He also pays for parking and meals. He also advised he paid for the pizza that was provided tonight.

Commissioner Pulcini said he does not use the City stipend.

Commissioner Green said there are two items to be discussed. This Commission continues to be one of the least compensated Cities in the County. He does not believe the new Commissioners are taken into account the work and time the long standing Commissioners have served. He said

he and Commissioner Curran also do not look for gas or mileage reimbursement. He said every time is here and not at work, he is using his personal vacation time and that counts to him. In regards to the employees, we have a number of employees that do not make a lot of money and depend on that insurance to support their family. He said he can ask employees to cut when he has not yet heard what cuts Police and Fire will make.

Commissioner Curran said the fact that some people up here can give up their benefits and stipends that's great but it may get to a point where only the wealthy can serve. He said the City has never purchased him a shirt, he pays for them. He has not spent a dime in travel in 9 years. He said he will give his travel amount back and see who will match him. He said he never leaves a call unanswered and serves the City every day of the week.

Mayor Ross said he also does not ask for reimbursement for the Chamber. He also said as he does use his travel budget it comes back to the City in multiple ways. He said the lobbyist also helps in that area. He also said as a leader he will show BSO how to save.

Mayor Ross made a motion to decrease the phone stipend to \$100.00.

Commissioner Curran asked the City Attorney if the FAB recommendation does not pass it will not pass for the Commission either.

City Attorney Horowitz answered that's correct.

Commissioner Curran asked Mrs. Sims the options.

Mrs. Sims answered the Employee Advisory Committee recommended that the single employees contribute 5% and the family 35%. The FAB recommended breaking into 4 tiers. That will increase family contributions twice. It will go from \$273 a month \$546 a month for family coverage.

Commissioner Curran asked Mayor Ross if that is the plan hes asking to follow the FAB.

Mayor Ross said he takes single coverage.

Commissioner Green asked to go back to the original motion to reduce the phone stipend.

Commissioner Meltzer said he does not take any benefits he takes the salary and that is it. The residents are tired of supporting the Commission.

Commissioner Green said he respectively disagrees with the residents are tired of supporting the Commission. He truly believes they are not taking advantage of the residents. He serves because he loves the City. He said

that we expect the employees who do the fair share, and support the City and do the work day in and day out and we are asking them more and more with less. For the Commission to talk about taking employee benefits and we have not had a conversation about reducing the BSO budget.

Commissioner Pulcini said Police and Fire sacrifices a lot and their health insurance costs more than ours. We cannot control their benefits only ours.

Mayor Ross said but we do control the number of employees we can employ.

Commissioner Curran said the decision we vote on tonight affects everyone tomorrow all 115 employees. He said he has no issue with the phone decrease.

MOTION: To reduce the Commissions telephone stipend to \$100 a month. Moved By Mayor Ross. Seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer, Green and Mayor Ross, Yes. Commissioner Curran, No.

The Mayor made a motion to adopt the FAB proposal for the health insurance. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer for discussion.

Mayor Ross said we are faced with a financial matters that we need to face. We have to look at the future and with the recession that is coming we all need to tighten our belts. He said we need to show BSO that were willing to do. Other Cities are also having issues with BSO not delivering actual costs. He said he knows he's doing the right thing because the residents are the focus.

Commissioner Meltzer said change is needed

MOTION: To extend the meeting. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

Commissioner Meltzer said that the single increase is not fair and asked the City attorney if there is a way to have a hybrid sliding scale based on pay.

City Attorney Horowitz will speak to the risk manager.

Commissioner Meltzer does not want to put the share of the burden of lower earning employees.

Interim City Manager Sims said we have about 42 employees on the family plan would be going from \$142.00 biweekly to \$273.00 bi-weekly with the FAB recommendation. The 47 employees that are single will pay \$24.22 per pay period with the EAC recommendation.

Mrs. Walker said for the FAB recommendation the family plan per pay period would be \$273.00. Employee plus spouse would be \$184.00 per pay period. Employee plus children \$88.00. Currently the cost for family is \$142.00 per pay period. The totals for the tiers currently are 48 family, 9 employee and spouse, 8 employee plus children and 42 single.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Mr. Nall to explain his recommendation.

Mr. Nall said they recommended that because if your tier it out it may be cheaper for families to change. The current numbers can change for the family plan.

Commissioner Meltzer said it will give the employees more options and may save money.

Mr. Nall said correct and it will save the City money.

Commissioner Green asked staff about the EAC and what they represent.

Chair of the EAC Kerri Ann Fischer said they Board is a mix of employees that have single coverage, family and take stipend in lieu of insurance. The EAC put forth a strong plan. The EAC wanted to share the cost and the single employees are happy to help share the increase. The FAB recommendation may lead individuals to drop off the plan completely.

Commissioner Green said he supports the EAC recommendation.

Mayor Ross asked Mrs. Walker the difference in savings to the City comparing the two recommendations.

Mrs. Walker answered the EAC recommendation will save the City \$70,000 a year. The FAB recommendation will save the City \$134,000 a year.

Commissioner Curran said the employees of the City are not unionized as of yet. Second with the cost savings analysis, the benefits are factor in. He also said he wouldn't be surprised if employees left. Commissioner Curran said he hopes we do the right thing because we are affecting every single employee. He also said there were two Commissioners who said they would not touch employees insurance.

Commissioner Meltzer said he did not say that and would like the tape pulled.

Commissioner Curran said it was Commissioner Meltzer and Pulcini. He would never blindside the employees with this when the item said Commission. He asked how many pregnant individuals we have currently.

Mrs. Sims answered the benefit would not change just contributions.

Mayor Ross answered the item said Citywide.

Commissioner Pulcini said he does not want to change the benefits but he did not see any changes in the budget. He does not want to change benefits and we will not attract employees with bad benefits but we did not make changes in the budget. The only change listed is this item. Don't blame the Commission, blame the staff for the cuts. He clarified and said he's not blaming staff he's blaming the Interim City Manager. He also said it is Commissioner Currans doing to as he has been here for 12 years and led us to where we are.

Commissioner Curran said every department made cuts, the only thing that was not cut was BSO. He said every single year the BSO contract increased.

Commissioner Pulcini said he has a plan for BSO.

Commissioner Curran said he has not had a conversation in 9 months with BSO.

Commissioner Pulcini said he should have, as we are the leaders.

Commissioner Curran said he has not heard any plan.

Mayor Ross said he has not heard the plan either.

Commissioner Curran said we have been up here since November with no BSO talks and all we can do now is take it out on the employees. He also said there were 5 Commissioners on the dais not just himself.

Commissioner Pulcini said he led the City here.

Commissioner Meltzer said he's not taking anything from the Employees. The EAC made a recommendation. Let us stop with the hysterics.

Commissioner Pulcini said we need a plan and we can always change this decision its affective for 2020.

Commissioner Green said he knows that this is a hot button issue and he believes a policy was put in place to build reserves to 2 months of operating expenditures. He then said staff was directed to make cuts to the FY19 budget.

Mrs. Walker answered yes, staff did a projection and a budget amendment. Fund Balance increased by \$6 million.

Commissioner Green said staff did respond and make cuts in the budget. He said he will support the EAC's recommendation as they are the ones whose lives are affected. The residents are affected but he believes the residents are affected more by BSPO costs.

Mayor Ross asked for a breakdown with the EAC recommendation monthly.

Mrs. Fischer answered the increase for family coverage would go from \$142.05 per pay period to \$180.64 per pay period. Single would increase to \$24.00 per pay period.

MOTION: To defer Item 12-o until the City Attorney brings back information regarding a sliding scale plan requested by Commissioner Meltzer. **Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

p. September Commission meeting schedule – Administration

Mrs. Sims asked the Commission if they would like to combine the 4 meetings in September to 2 meetings.

Consensus was reached to leave the meetings as originally scheduled.

13. ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

a. Ordinance 19-8-1 – Commission

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 05-5-1, AS AMENDED, BY DELETING SECTION 2.1 THROUGH 2.3, PERTAINING TO THE NAMING OF CITY BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RECOGNIZING INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CITY; AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," BY CREATING SECTION 2-7, TO BE ENTITLED "NAMING AND RECOGNITION PROCEDURES," ESTABLISHING AND CODIFYING A PROCESS FOR THE NAMING OF CITY-OWNED BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND RECOGNIZING INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CITY OF COOPER CITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-8-1. **Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

b. Ordinance 19-8-2 – Utilities

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 19, "UTILITIES," ARTICLE III, "WATER AND WASTE WATER SYSTEMS," DIVISION 1, "GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE CITY OF COOPER CITY'S WATER AND WASTE WATER SYSTEMS,"

SECTION 19-76, "LIMITATIONS OF USE"; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELIMINATION OF REFERECES TO RESIDENTIAL, RESIDENTS, OR DWELLINGS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-8-2. **Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

14. ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

a. Ordinance 19-7-1 – Public Works

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ENTITLED "TREE PRESERVATION CODE;" SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 18-4, ETITLED, "TREE REMOVAL;" PROVIDING ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE REMOVAL OF SWALE TREES; AMENDING SECTION 18-5, ENTITLED "TREE RELOCATION;" AMENDING SECTION 18-9, ENTITLED "TREE SERVICES/ARBORISTS;" AMENDING SECTION 18-11, ENTITLED "TREE REPLACEMENTS;" AMENDING SECTION 18-13, ENTITLED "TABLE OF TREE VALUATION;" PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF ANTIQUATED LANGUAGE AND PROVIDING FOR CONSISTENCY THROUGHOUT THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-7-1. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing with no one wishing to speak. Mayor Ross closed the public hearing.

b. Ordinance 19-7-2 – Public Works

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 25, ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS," AMENDING ARTICLE III ENTITLED, "LANDSCAPING," BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 25-44, ENTITLED "LANDSCAPED STREET BUFFERS;" AMENDING SECTION 25-48, ENTITLED "LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE;" PERMITTING ADDITIONAL FLORIDA-FRIENDLY PLANT SPECIES IN THE CITY; AMENDING SECTION 25-49, ENTITLED "PLANT AND LANDSCAPE MATERIAL STANDARDS"; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS RELATED TO PERMITTED SWALE TREES; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing with no one wishing to speak. Mayor Ross closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Meltzer asked about the swale requirements.

City Attorney Horowitz advised of the additions.

Commissioner Meltzer believes we should include a minimum of 20 feet for planting live oaks in swales.

He would like to amend the motion to 20 feet instead of 12 for live oaks in swales.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-7-2. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-7-2 with the amendment of 20 feet minimum for live oaks in swales. **Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

c. Ordinance -19-7-3 - Growth Management

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 25, ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS," AMENDING ARTICLE II ENTITLED, "SIGNS," BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 25-22, ENTITLED "PROHIBITED SIGNS;" AND AMENDING SECTION 25-24, ENTITLED "TEMPORARY SIGNS;" PERMITTING THE PLACEMENT OF SIDEWALK OR SANDWICH SIGNS IN THE CITY, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing with no one wishing to speak. Mayor Ross closed the public hearing.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-7-3. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

d. Ordinance -19-7-4 - Finance

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 18-9-2, ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2018; PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 FOR THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN INTERFUND LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,860,000 FROM THE WATER AND SEWER OPERATING FUND TO THE GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, CONSISTENT WITH THE INTERFUND CAPITAL FINANCING POLICY, ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 18, 2018; DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Commissioner Pulcini asked Mrs. Walker on Water and Sewer Funds the \$550,000 increase is the entire amount due to water meters or does that include fees.

Mrs. Walker said it based on projections to date. The new meters are adding additional revenues.

Commissioner Pulcini advised he will vote no because he does not agree on using the Water Fund money to pay for capital projects.

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing with no one wishing to speak. Mayor Ross closed the public hearing.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 19-7-4. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioner Pulcini, No. Commissioners Meltzer, Green, Curran and Mayor Ross, Yes. Motion passed.**

15. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mrs. Sims welcomed the new Assistant Finance Director. She also congratulated the Finance Department on receiving the Government Finance Officers Association Budget Presentation award. She also asked for direction for fencing in the fishing pond at Flamingo West Park. Staff reached out to our fencing contractor and they provided two quotes. The first quote would be to fence the entire pond with the cost of \$27,000. The second is to fence the front near the playground near the issue at \$11,000.

MOTION: To fence the front side of the lake at Flamingo West Park due to health safety and welfare concerns at \$11,000. **Moved By Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

16. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

17. ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON NEXT AGENDA

Commissioner Pulcini wants to add the Rotary to the list of approved charities. He also asked if the contact information was changed on the website for Waste management.

Mrs. Sims advised she had a meeting with Waste Management and she will check the website.

18. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS

Commissioner Pulcini asked Mrs. Yoezle if there is any news on the crosswalk at 90th.

Mrs. Yoezle answered a study was done and it does not have the volume to justify the crosswalk. There is a crosswalk at 51st street now.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if we can add lights. He asked for alternative options. He advised we did receive the actual costs for BSO and asked that to be sent to all Commissioners. He asked about what RM build ground stands for.

Mrs. Sims said she believes that is the lease payment on the building.

Mrs. Walker said BSO confirmed that is the lease payment and RM is repairs and maintenance.

Commissioner Pulcini asked about transfer to general fund.

Mrs. Walker is waiting on confirmation, she has a meeting Thursday.

Commissioner Pulcini believes its indirect overhead. He also asked about charges for computes and equipment.

Mrs. Walker said that is a part of the contract.

Commissioner Pulcini asked Mrs. Sims about the Pryce lawsuit and asked if insurance could pay the settlement.

Mrs. Sims said she reached out for an answer.

City Attorney Horowitz said typically damages are not covered. There were 15 defendants named in the lawsuit and 14 decided to join in the settlement.

Commissioner Meltzer said we now have a water smart portal and app and encourages residents to use it. He asked who is responsible for trash pickup along the fence at the high school on Stirling Road.

Mrs. Yoezle said she will send staff to clean up the issue.

Commissioner Meltzer mentioned the new Walking Club at Flamingo West Park. He wants to take it a step further with a healthy resident's initiative. He will lead the walking club one night a week and one morning a week. He would like Commission approval and asked if the Commission would like to join him on nights, he is not available.

Commissioner Pulcini also asked when he asked for Consensus at the Budget Workshop for City expenses to not exceed revenue. Did he indeed have a consensus?

The Commission answered yes.

MOTION: Consensus for expenses not to exceed revenue. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer.**

Commissioner Curran said some projects extend past the initial year started.

Commissioner Green does not remember the Consensus.

Mayor Ross asked to look at the tape.

Mr. Bailey said all expenses not exceeding revenue, would work against the Water and Sewer Fund.

Commissioner Meltzer asked to look at the tape and add it to the agenda on Friday.

Commissioner Pulcini said we need to have changes. He also apologized to Mrs. Sims for snapping at her earlier. He wants the Commission to agree to what they agreed.

Mayor Ross asked to add it to the September 10, 2019 meeting.

Commissioner Meltzer asked to schedule a Budget Meeting.

Commissioner Pulcini said he wants to make changes to the budget without touching benefits.

Consensus was reached to schedule a Budget Meeting on September 4, 2019. Commissioner Meltzer said item 12-a was placed back on the agenda right after the previous meeting. Kathryn advised it was an error that it said administration. He said he had no intention of hiding his name from the item.

Commissioner Green said god bless everybody.

Commissioner Curran said we want to run a more efficient city we have to give them the tools to do so. He said when you cut employees you need better equipment. Commissioner Curran said the bucket truck helped during Hurricane Irma. The cellphone and insurance item he agrees with the cellphone item and he hopes we tread well on the insurance. He also advised he is good with the Optimist liaison position.

Mayor Ross said the bucket truck item is not over, a lease could be looked into. He wants numbers on the leasing.

Mrs. Yoezle said she will bring back the item looking into leasing.

Mayor Ross said the Florida League of Cities has a healthy initiatives program that can help us. He also asked that the outside door at the entrance of the Commission office be cleaned. He asked where exactly the new crossing guard

was added. He read a letter from a mother in Monterra who said the intersection of Pine Island and Stirling has a total of 13 lanes of traffic with no crossing guard and she is concerned.

19. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 MINUTES)

David Nall, said his comments are not directed towards staff they are directed to the Commission. He spoke on cutting of the budget. He said that employees are cut across the country are cut when it's needed. He said the City contributes more than neighborhood cities toward health insurance.

Ryan Shrouder said that economists are predicting a recession and said we need to make cuts. He asked if staff made changes from the July 11 budget meeting.

Commissioner Meltzer said he asked the City Manager to provide a document with everything requested and he has not received it.

Mayor Ross said they have been directed to make cuts it has not been prepared yet.

Mrs. Sims said that information will be presented in September.

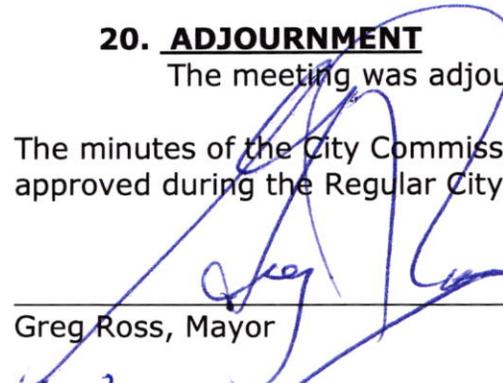
Mr. Shrouder said no direction was taken.

Brenda Kezar thanked Mayor Ross for the pizza and said the City has always had quality personnel and its not a problem to find them. Everyone has to give, the burden cannot fall on the residents. She said she pays 50% of her portion of insurance at her employer. She also said Cooper City had volunteer firefighters that did not get paid and they were the best.

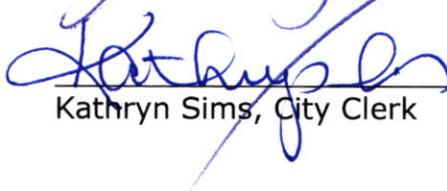
20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:36 AM.

The minutes of the City Commission Regular Meeting of August 20, 2019 were approved during the Regular City Commission Meeting of October 10, 2019.



Greg Ross, Mayor



Kathryn Sims, City Clerk

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