



**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
February 26, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:30 PM with Taylor Jiminez of Griffin Elementary School leading the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

**3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS**

Commissioner Pulcini pulled Item 10-I.

Sue Ellen Fardelman, 5100 SW 89<sup>th</sup> Ter, would like to know the date Item-I will be heard if pulled tonight.

Commissioner Curran placed Item 10-I back on agenda and moved it up to be heard after announcements

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

The Commission made the following announcements:

- Upcoming Commission Meetings: A Commission Workshop will be held February 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM. The next Commission Meeting will be scheduled tonight. Commission meetings are held in the auditorium of City Hall at 6:30 PM.
- 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 next Countywide Mayors Chess Challenge will be held in the City of Hollywood on Saturday March 9, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Fred Littman Multipurpose Center located at 2030 Polk Street.
- Relay for Life will take place on Saturday April 27, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Cooper City High School. Please visit the American Cancer Society/Relay for Life online to register.
- There are currently openings on Advisory Boards. Please call the Commission Office or visit our website [www.coopercityfl.org](http://www.coopercityfl.org) to submit a Citizens Resource Sheet. For more information, call 954-434-4300 Ext. 260.

- Cooper City in partnership with Waste Management is offering a scholarship program for graduating seniors who plan to attend a 2 or 4-year college or technical school. The scholarship deadline is Wednesday, April 10, 2019 by 12:00 PM. Eligibility, award criteria and applications are currently available by contacting Tina Hudson at 9544-434-4300 Ext. 260 or by email at [Tinah@coopercityfl.org](mailto:Tinah@coopercityfl.org)
- Cooper City has partnered with Feeding South Florida and employees and residents are invited to donate non-perishable food items to FSF, whose year round mission is spotlighted during the additional demand generated by the government furlough. Donation boxes are located at City Hall, Community Center and the Pool and Tennis Center.
- Saturday March 9, 2019 will be Cooper City's annual Founders Day parade and celebration. Visit the activity calendar on our website for a full listing of the day's events.
- Free tax preparation is available by IRS Certified Volunteers through the VITA Program through April 15, 2019. Preparation is free for those who earned less than \$55,000.00 last year. Call 2-1-1 or, 954-537-0211 or visit [VITAtaxesfree.Org](http://VITAtaxesfree.Org) for more information.

## **5. PUBLIC SPEAKING**

### **a. Open Public Meeting**

Mike Bufalo, 11648 SW 59<sup>th</sup> St, spoke on his concerns with the agreement between the Optimist Club and Cooper City. He spoke on his concerns with nonprofit organizations and charges for rentals and fields.

### **b. Agenda Concerns**

Suellen Fardleman, 5100 SW 89<sup>th</sup> Ter, spoke on Item 10-L and determinations for acquiring Tree City. She also advised of knowledge of staff and policy.

Chris Fardelman, 5100 SW 89<sup>th</sup> Ter, spoke on his concerns with the removal of the tree creating a forty-foot hole in the canopy in the neighborhood. He spoke on his concerns with removing trees due to root issues.

Mike Bufalo 11648 SW 59<sup>th</sup> St, spoke on his concerns of tree responsibility. He believes that the major concern is damage to City property from the trees as well as clogged drains.

John Sims, spoke on his support of changes of Item 10-E. He also spoke on the Item 10-D the fire assessment and to take part in a new assessment and not to repeat past mistakes. He also spoke on the assessment to be costs budgeted.

Mike Good, 5101 SW 89 Ter, thanked the commission for visiting with them in regards to the tree. He spoke on his support of policy for trees and working together as a community to resolve these issues. He spoke to his love of the trees and beauty of his community. He also spoke on Item10-C and his opinion of waiting to hire a city manager before we change job titles. He also spoke on his disappointment of not extending the meeting last week.

Brenda Kezar, 4979 SW 90 Way, spoke on her disagreement with John Sims' position on the fire assessment study. She also spoke on Item 10-L and something needing to be done without compromising the roots or the structural damage it is causing. She spoke on support of paying for the fire assessment.

Jen Goldfarb, 11869 SW 55 St, spoke on Item 10-L and her concerns with the Commission discussing the issue when we have staff that can. She also spoke on If we potentially raise the fire assessment, you must lower the millage and also you start charging the nonprofits their fair share. Lastly she spoke on keeping finances at a focus and to initiate a hiring freeze beside the City Managers position.

## **6. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Cates thanked the owner of Beef O Brady's and everyone that showed their support for Tip-A-Cop raising \$1350. On Friday there were individuals in Rock Creek with a stolen vehicle out of Pembroke pines, The suspects were from Miami Gardens and charged accordingly.

Last night, a city of Hollywood police officer recognized a stolen car, the officer accelerated causing a car accident on Stirling and Flamingo, the suspect bailed out in SW Ranches. BSO handled the accident scene.

Chief Cates advised residents to be sure to lock their car doors as a majority of stolen vehicles are left unlocked. Work trucks are also being burglarized, please be cautious. Also there is a spike in fraud with phone accounts be aware of this current issue by checking with credit companies. There are currently 3 vacancies, 3 deputy vacancies and one non-sworn records specialist vacancy.

## **7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Caruso read a letter from Ms. Ellen Blumen. Ms. Bluman thanked BSO for their fast and efficient help when her husband fell early this month.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

## **9. RESOLUTIONS**

## **10. REGULAR AGENDA**

### **Item 10-I moved to top**

**i.** Discussion and possible action regarding a tree located at 5091 SW 89<sup>th</sup> Terrace – **Public Works/Commissioner Pulcini**

Commissioner Curran advised this tree is A class A tree, and a swale tree. He advised without any code changes, we cannot remove a live oak tree. If we were to initiate a change to the code, it would then go to Broward County for approval. He spoke on the tree being neglected and the City reaching out to help with pruning and sidewalk safety. He believes that after the safety concerns are addressed that were the City's part ends. He

also spoke on the importance of having a permanent city manager in place so this item would not have been placed on the agenda.

Commissioner Green agreed with Commission Curran and his support of adhering to the codes in place.

Suellen Fardleman, 5100 SW 89<sup>th</sup> Ter, spoke on changes to the City since her time as Mayor.

Commissioner Meltzer advised that this is Staff decision and situation but the Code has a process in regards to Live Oak tree removal. He would like Public Works to work with resident to find a reasonable solution to the problem.

Commissioner Pulcini stated that its time to move on from this issue.

Mayor Ross advised he doesn't fault Commissioner Pulcini for putting this item on the agenda. He advised this is a staff issue and the staff will work with all residents and neighbors to come to a solution to the issue.

**a. Public Safety Advisory Board Update – Finance**

Interim City Manager Elianor advised there is no update.

**b. Value Assessment of Interim City Manager – City Clerk/Administrative Services**

City Clerk Kathryn Sims advised the position of City Manager is usually the highest paid position in the organization because of the level of authority and responsibility. On November 20, 2019 Mrs. Elianor was appointed to the position of City Manager and since then has not received any compensation for this role. It is recommended that the Interim City Manager receive 10% above the highest paid department head.

Commissioner Curran passed on comment.

Commissioner Green asked the City Clerk about Section 1.6 and a policy that reads if someone is serving as an interim Director they may receive up to 10% pay increase and does this mention the City Manager position and 10% above the highest pay employee.

City Clerk Sims advised this Section does not refer to the City Manager position as that is a contracted position negotiated by the City Commission.

Commissioner Green spoke on the Finance Directors currently salary and her serving as the Interim City Manager and his support of a 10% increase based on her current salary. He also spoke on the need to have a permanent City Manager.

Commissioner Meltzer advised that this issue should have been addressed months ago. He advised he agrees with Commissioner Green

with the 10% raise above her current salary and retro pay from November.

Commissioner Pulcini agrees with the 2 prior Commissioner with the 10% raise above her current salary.

Mayor Ross advised the position of Interim City Manager is negotiated by the Commission and his belief of staying fiscally responsible to the residents. He agrees she is entitled to a raise for stepping into the position and the 10% above her current salary is fitting. He also advised of a resident's comment, David Nall and his opinion of the 10% raise be from current salary.

Commissioner Curran spoke on his concerns with the Finance Department and the responsibility of positions in the department and the status of finances. He also advised of his concerns with Management he advised of his concern with item 10-H being placed on the agenda. He believes staff should be making recommendations with the Commission voting on the recommendations. He spoke on his concern with Item 10-C and his belief that a City Manager should choose if they would like an Assistant City Manager position. He also said that Mrs. Elianor is receiving help from the department and believes the 10% raise is not entitled because she took the position to be the next City Manager. He also advised staff should have brought the pay increase item to the Commission sooner.

Commissioner Green advises he did not support the original motion on appointing Mrs. Elianor as Interim City Manager. He advised she warrants a pay increase but not at the level of 10% above the highest paid director. He advised the highest paid Director has been here for 15 years. In his opinion the Finance department employees are working in the best interests of the residents and for the good of the City.

Commissioner Meltzer spoke on the issue of Mrs. Elianor stepping up from one position to another and his belief that she deserves the 10% raise

Commissioner Pulcini spoke on the policy and his agreement with the policy of a 10% raise. He also asked if in the past any directors were compensated for being in the Acting City Manager position.

City Clerk Sims advised a 10% raise above her current salary was initiated.

Mayor Ross advised he has the upmost confidence in the Interim City Manager and disagrees with Commissioner Currans issue with the staff placing the park hours item on the agenda looking for City Commission approval. He also spoke on his prior suggestion of having a plan of succession to avoid issues. He said he believes she is entitled to a raise and he supports her delegations of the Finance staff.

**MOTION:** Retroacting the Interim City Managers pay from November by \$1200 a month and continuing that pay increase going forward.

**Moved by Commissioner Meltzer. Seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer, Green and Mayor Ross, Yes. Commissioner Curran, No. Motion passed.**

- c. Discussion on the reclassification of the Finance Director position to Assistant City Manager/Finance Director– **Commissioner Pulcini**  
Commissioner Pulcini advised the only other director other than the City Manager that knows the budget of every other department is the Finance Director. He believes its natural for the Finance Director to step in. He advised he would like to table this item until we have a new City Manager in place.

**MOTION:** To table Item 10-C until we have a permanent City Manager.  
**Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All Aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

- d. Discussion on potential Fire Assessment study – **Finance**

The Interim City Manager Elianor advised the Item is a request for staff to request proposals for the fire assessment. It's not necessary a study to increase but to look at the methodology.

Commissioner Curran passed.

Commissioner Green advised of his support for an up to date assessment. To provide an update to methodology if necessary.

Commissioner Meltzer advised his initial thoughts are to wait until we have a new BSO contract but he asked the City Attorney for his thoughts.

City Attorney Horowitz advised the City has a lot of history with the assessment with the City being involved in litigation being resolved in the City's favor. Regarding the City's methodology, it is about 7 years old. He recommends a new study and timing is key to have the assessment being considered in September.

Mayor Ross advised that he is in favor of a new study and he wants to be sure all is done correctly.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if its normal to perform a new study every 7 years.

City Attorney Horowitz advised it's not specific to 7 years but it's good to perform a new study from time to time.

Commissioner Pulcini asked if the methodology had changed recently or if the prior study was not adequate.

City Attorney Horowitz advised the law has not changed but within the past 7 years' facts may have changed. We would not know until the study had been completed.

Commissioner Pulcini asked the City Attorney if he recommends using the same study we have.

City Attorney Horowitz advised due to the prior litigation and the fact that the current methodology is 7 years old, he recommends a review.

Mayor Ross asked Chief Caruso if he had any comment on the methodology and if it has changed.

Chief Caruso said no and if any data is needed he can provide it.

Commissioner Curran asked the City Attorney if he knew the cost of a new study.

City Attorney Horowitz deferred to the Interim City Manager but would speculate between \$15,000-\$25,000.

Interim City Manager Elianor agreed between \$15,000-\$25,000.

Commissioner Curran advised if you look at the study from 7 years ago you can look at the costs and the CPI to see the increase that needs to be in place. He advised that it can be done in house, though he supports a new study, he has concerns with raising the fire assessment tax.

Mayor Ross spoke on the nonprofit organizations being assessed with a new study. Also in light of the litigation he would not prefer to use the prior study going forward and a new study is very beneficial.

**MOTION:** To approve a new fire assessment study. **Moved by Mayor Ross Seconded by Commissioner Green. All Aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

- e. Discussion and direction on revisions to the job description of the Executive Assistant to the Elected Officials - **City Clerk/Administrative Services/Administration**

City Clerk Sims advised in August of 2017 a Resolution approved a revised job description for the Executive Assistant to the Elected officials. This item is cleaning up the Resolution and distributing the Boards to the appropriate Department that work directly with them.

Commissioner Curran said he has no issues with the recommendation.

Commissioner Green had no comment.

Commissioner Meltzer has no issue with the recommendation and noted that up to about 3 years ago the Boards reported to the Directors.

Commissioner Pulcini had no comment and no issue.

**MOTION:** To revise the job description of the Executive Assistant to the Elected Officials. **Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All Aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

**f. Discussion on upcoming Commission Meeting dates (March) –City Clerk/Administrative Services**

City Clerk Sims advised the next scheduled meeting is Tuesday March 12, 2019 and more than 2 Commissioners will be attending Broward Days and staff recommends March 19, 2019. Also staff recommends canceling the March 26, 2019 Commission Meeting and needs direction on a date for the Infrastructure Workshop.

**Consensus was reached to reschedule the March 12, 2019 Commission Meeting to March 19, 2019.**

**Consensus was reached to have the Infrastructure Workshop on March 26, 2019.**

**g. Discussion and direction on placing items on agendas – Commissioner Pulcini**

Commissioner Pulcini advised he would like to discuss at Commission meetings what they would like to be placed on the upcoming Agenda. It will help save staff time in researching items that streamline the process.

City Clerk Sims advised she has previously worked with a City that had a section on the agenda to place items on the next agenda. This would add items placed by the Commissioners to the agenda to indicate if a consensus is reached to proceed with those items.

Commissioner Curran had no issue with the addition.

Commissioner Green no comment.

Commissioner Meltzer asked where on the agenda it will be placed.

City Clerk Sims advised after the City Managers report.

Mayor Ross has no issue with the addition if his colleagues would like it.

**Consensus was reached to add a section to the agenda for items to be placed on the next agenda.**

**h. Discussion and direction on city park holiday schedules – Public Works**  
Public Works Director Denise Yoezle brought forth the requested item to receive direction on opening parks on national holidays. Opening the 3 sports complexes will impact staff scheduling and some maintenance activities. Other municipalities do staff their sports complexes on the holidays, some with full time staff, others have a rotating staff member. We currently have 5-part time park attendants with 2 more to be added for Flamingo West. A full time employee will need to be staffed and paid over time at the park on a national holiday to prevent the part timers from maxing out.

Commissioner Green asked historically if Bill Lips and the sports Complex are closed on the holidays.

Public Works Director Yoezle said yes.

Commissioner Green asked if other cities do have them open and is there an expression from the residents that they want them open for the holidays.

Public Works Director Yoezle said that at a recent Commission meeting a resident express their concerns with the parks not being open.

Commissioner Green advised he has no issue keeping them open if enough residents are using the parks on those holidays. If not, it can be revisited.

Commissioner Curran advised he is in full support of opening the parks on national holidays and the only concern he foresees is staffing. He also wants to make sure the residents understand there will be a time when the parks are closed for reseeding during the winter.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Public Works Director Yoezle other than coverage is there any other reason why the parks should not be open on national holidays.

Public Works Director Yoezle said no, and last April the hours were extended with very little usage of the facilities over the extended hours.

Commissioner Meltzer advised the residents own the fields and asked the Interim City Manager to have a campaign for residents to be aware and he would like the park hours to be placed on the agenda in the future.

Commissioner Pulcini advised he agrees with Commissioner Meltzer that the park should be open and also asked if the parks could be manned by one staff member opening and closing the parks.

Public Works Director Yoezle said that could be done with one full time employee.

Commissioner Pulcini advised that more residents may use the parks once they are aware they will now be open.

Mayor Ross asked to confirm if we are opening one park or all the parks. He also asked about the reasoning behind a full time employee being needed.

Public Works Director Yoezle advised part timers will reach their max hours.

Commissioner Meltzer asked for clarification if the park attendant will be someone who opens and closes the park or an attendant at one park all day.

Public Works Director Yoezle advised one employee will spend the day opening and closing the parks and bathrooms. An employee will drive in sequence to open and close the parks and then again closing the parks.

Commissioner Meltzer asked if we can potentially leave the parks open and change that direction if needed.

Public Works Director Yoezle said she would not advise leaving the Sports Complex unlocked. She advised every sports complex is open 7 days a week.

Commissioner Meltzer advised when he was younger parks were left open.

Commissioner Curran said times have changed due to liability and he has an issue with the complexes left open with no attendants. He supports the rollover of an attendant from park to park. He also said with the opening one park you could possibly run into nonresidents using the park and fields.

Commissioner Green agrees with having an attendant rolling over to each park and also concerns with nonresidents using the fields.

Mayor Ross advised that he believes that a park attendant is necessary and agrees with opening 1 park.

Commissioner Meltzer asked Chief Cates if BSO could check on the parks during the holidays.

Chief Cates advised they do that currently.

Commissioner Pulcini wants to confirm the park will be safe and that is the duty of BSO.

**MOTION:** To make the parks open every holiday without an attendant present. **Moved by Commissioner Pulcini. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioners Pulcini and Meltzer, Yes. Commissioners Green, Curran and Mayor Ross, No. Motion Failed.**

**MOTION:** To open a minimum of 2 parks and have 2 full time attendants and have Public Works possibly reduce hours on holidays

**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer and Mayor Ross No. Commissioners Green and Curran, Yes Motion Failed.**

**MOTION:** To open two named parks with one rover employee on national holidays. **Moved by Mayor Ross. Seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioners Pulcini, Green and Mayor Ross, Yes. Commissioners Meltzer and Green, Yes.**

Public Works Director Yoezle advised during the months of November and December the Sports Complex and Bill Lips will be closed for a time for maintenance so another park will need to be open.

i. Discussion and possible action regarding a tree located at 5091 SW 89<sup>th</sup>

**j. Monthly Financial Report – Finance**

David Nall, spoke on his concerns with the changes to the adopted budget and asked if these are appropriations carried over and if so why were they not discussed at the initial adoption of the budget.

Commissioner Meltzer asked the Interim City Manager if she had the information on the reconciliation.

Interim City Manager said she was not prepared to speak on that tonight.

David Nall, spoke on the change in the increase of the budget and would like to see disclosure and transparency of the information.

Interim City Manager Elianor advised the as of December 31, 2018, 25% of the year has lapsed and we are at 40.91% for revenue and expenditures are at 32.88, city wide. The reason of 32.88 in expenditures are due to capital projects and they will level out as the projects complete. The General Fund revenue is at 60% and 22.65 for expenditures. There are departments that are showing over the 25% due to capital expenditures.

**k. Discussion to rescind Ordinance 06-09-01 that provides that The City shall not extend water distribution and/or sewage collection services outside of the limits of the municipal boundaries – Mayor Ross**

Mayor Ross advised the Ordinance has been in place for 12 years and believes this is a revenue producing item and the individuals will pay 25% above the rate residents pay.

Utilities Director Mike Bailey advised in regards to compactly is allocation from the Water Management District, the maximum is 4.55 million gallons a day withdrawn from the ground. We our current demand plus future projected demand we would be at 91% of allocation. He advised we do

have the capacity to serve single family homes 50 feet from the main and he would like to review applications.

Commissioner Curran said he never agreed with the Ordinance. He fully supports the issue and would like for Mr. Bailey to review the applications.

**MOTION:** To rescind Ordinance 06-09-01

**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion Passed.**

City Attorney Horowitz advised he will bring back an Ordinance.

## **11. ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

### **a. Ordinance No. 19-2-1 - City Clerk/Administrative Services (Mayor Ross)**

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 9-28, ENTITLED "SPECIAL EVENTS; REGULATIONS; ENFORCEMENT"; PROVIDING FOR UP TO EIGHT (8) SPECIAL EVENTS PER YEAR FOR CERTAIN INSTITUTIONAL ENTITIES; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

**MOTION:** To approve Ordinance 19-2-1

**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion Passed.**

### **b. Ordinance No. 19-2-2 - Growth Management**

City Attorney Horowitz read "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 24 "SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN REVIEW," ARTICLE IV "FINAL SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN," SECTION 24-67 "SITE PLAN REVISIONS"; CONCERNING ARCHITECTURAL ELEVATION CHANGES; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

**MOTION:** To approve Ordinance 19-2-2

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

## **12. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

### **a. Summertime Isles asphalt status**

Interim City Manager Elianor advised the cost of that roadway is \$200,000 but before work will start Utilities are planning to TV the sewer lines. Additionally, the road resurfacing bid will go out.

### **b. Status of Guardrail on Palm Avenue**

The Interim City Manager Elianor advised a quote of \$5,000 was received on a guardrail and the City will install it with Broward County maintaining it.

**c. Grant and state appropriation process**

The Interim City Manager Elianor advised the City is active looking at grant funding. Commissioner Meltzer would like to see a breakdown of the improvements. Mayor Ross advised he sent letters to the lobbyist and the Senators thanking them for their work on the grants.

Interim City Manager Elianor thanked the Commission for their confidence and compensation increase.

**13. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS**

Commissioner Curran said that we spent almost \$100,000 dollars tonight and residents are recommending hiring freezes and raise freezes. Commissioner Curran advised he talked to employees that have concerns on keeping their jobs. Commissioner Curran said he would like to inform employees that we are not in dire straits. He also said his decision on the Interim City Manager compensations was due in part to the former City Managers payout approaching. He asked the Interim City Manager if she knew the amount. Interim City Manager Elianor did not have that information. Commissioner Curran said he would like that information to be presented before it gets paid out. City Clerk Sims advised he has about 3 weeks' vacation and sick leave and that will be his payout.

Commissioner Green thanked Mayor Ross for the State of the City address at the Davie/Cooper City Chamber event. He also said that Cooper City is still one the best Cities in Broward County and the staff is working hard day in and out for the residents. He said the Department heads and the Commission care, and are here to serve the residents. Commissioner Green advised he was very proud of the report the Mayor had read to the Chamber. He also thanked BSO for Tip-A-Cop, it was a great event.

Commissioner Meltzer thanked Utilities for their work in regards to the 2 water main breaks. He thanked Mayor Ross for his presentation at the Chamber event, the report made him proud to be a Cooper City resident and Commissioner. He thanked BSO for the Tip-A-Cop event it was a great success. Commissioner Meltzer asked Interim City Manager Elianor about revenue from trash and recycle and money going out for those services. Is there a deficit in that area?

Interim City Manager Elianor advised she does not believe there is deficit.

Commissioner Meltzer advised he would like to see how much Waste Management receives and asked the status of Franklin Academy.

City Attorney Horowitz advised he plans to have a call with the Chief to discuss options. He is currently looking into the conditions in the Conditional Use and will update the Commission shortly.

Commissioner Pulcini advised he was at Embassy Lakes and witnessed firsthand the great job Utilities did in regards to the water main break. He would also like for the website to include the waiting list for the storage lot and offer sign ups. He asked for that item to be added to the agenda.

Mayor Ross advised it was his honor to deliver the State of the City address. He said it was a large turnout and thanked Denise Lasarte and Tina Hudson for their tremendous help. He thanked staff for once again making the Commission look good. He also thanked Utilities for their work on the water main breaks. He also advised that staff should not listen to rumors but listen to the Commission. He wants staff to know that it may take time but we are doing fine. He advised the state of the City is very good and he is proud to serve the City.

Commissioner Pulcini said that the money spent tonight, the \$14,000 raise was back pay from November and the Fire Assessment was on advice of the attorney to update the assessment.

**14. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 MINUTES)**

David Nall, 3620 NW 89th Way, said it is encouraging to hear the commission talking about the budget. He also said he is disappointed that he doesn't have the answer in the difference in the budget.

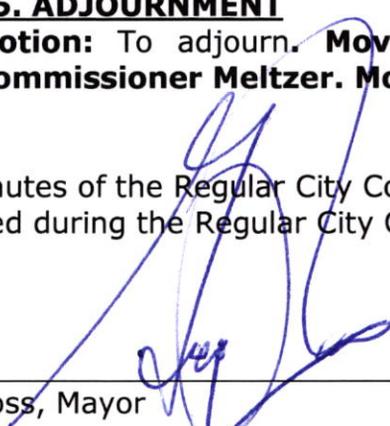
John Sims, spoke on his concerns with a sense of urgency and his concerns with not receiving information asked of.

Jim Federici, thanked BSO for their work in regards to the water main break. He also thanked Utilities for their urgency and hard work.

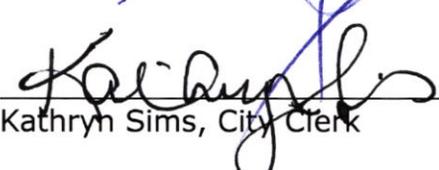
**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** To adjourn. **Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Motion passed.**

The minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting of February 26, 2019 were approved during the Regular City Commission Meeting of April 23, 2019.



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Greg Ross, Mayor



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Kathryn Sims, City Clerk

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