

## GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES February 1, 2024

**ATTENDANCE:** The following Green Advisory Board members were present at 6:00 pm when the meeting commenced at the City of Cooper City Pool and Tennis Center meeting room: Bob Kirschbaum, Vice Chairperson and Treasurer, Janet Arculeo, Jackie Fisher, Diana Guidry, Jacque Sanchez, Jennifer Gross, Jerilyn Habenicht, Lill Maniscalco and Cooper City High School Student Liaison Alia Salim.

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** Paul Kragh, Chairperson, and Alia Salim, CCHS Liaison

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Dawn DeLand, Cooper City Green Advisory Board Liaison, and Ileana Ryan (GAB member in waiting,) and Commissioner Mallozzi

**APPROVE THE MINUTES:** Diana made a motion to approve the January 4, 2024, minutes as written. Jennifer seconded the motion. All board members voted on the approval of the minutes as written.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bob Kirschbaum presented the Treasurer's Report. The GAB 2023 – 2024 FY budget is \$2500. Of this amount we still have \$1,652 remaining and this includes the cost of reusable straws for the upcoming CC Senior Expo on February 3, 2024.

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Bob asked which members were planning to assist at the upcoming Senior Expo this Saturday. Bob, Lil, Diana, and Jeri indicated they could help (and plan to arrive between 9-9:30am to help with setup.)

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ileana Ryan then introduced herself as the newly (to be) appointed member of GAB. CC Founder's Day will be held on Saturday, March 9, the same day again as the county's Water Matters Day at Tree Tops Park. This is a great opportunity for the high school volunteers to earn community service hours, and Dawn agreed to alert Alia tomorrow of this need. We will discuss the giveaway for these events at next month's meeting when Paul is in attendance. Bob and Dawn were of the opinion that Paul has giveaways and crafts for upcoming events covered.

At this point, Commissioner Mallozzi arrived, and we discussed the plans for future waste disposal since Waste Management will no longer be the city's vendor after March 31. She explained that the county is planning to have its own waste management facility in the future, but it is a way off. Coastal Waste and Recycling of South Florida will be the new waste disposal vendor for CC as of April 1, 2024. Bulk pickup will remain the same; hazardous waste disposal will remain with Wheel-a-brator.

Jennifer asked the commissioner about the city's Beautification Project budget: there is none at this time. The master plan includes consideration of a brand for all city properties. Diana asked what the commissioner expected of the board, i.e., were there any particular projects or considerations? Her response indicated that the board had free-range to consider the projects that it determines to have the greatest need. Commissioner has a propensity towards school projects and suggested recruiting seniors who need service hours to work in this capacity (school gardens, waterway cleanups, etc.) At this point, the board is uncertain as to whether GAB will be involved in WMD this year. Diana explained that there has been a complete turnover in WMD administration, so procedures may be somewhat altered. She will follow up with the county to see if Cooper City is going to be a sponsor this year.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Lill explained that the CC Landscape Masterplan Workshop (featuring Chen Moore & Associates) was somewhat confusing. Diana appreciated the community input regarding future planning, but action won't actually begin until 2025. Dawn gave an update on The Mayors' Monarch Pledge and the board was appreciative of all her efforts. Lill gave an update on Project Perch.

**MEMBER COMMENTS & CONCERNS:**

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 3/7/24, at 6:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Upon motion duly made and seconded by Jennifer Gross and Janet Arculeo respectively, the Board members unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM. Minutes submitted by Jerilyn Habenicht. The foregoing Minutes were approved by vote and signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Kragh, Chairperson of the Green Advisory Board, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.