

**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES OF MEETING (Virtually/Face to Face)  
December 14, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By LuAnn Scott at 7:06 pm

**ROLL CALL:**

Those in attendance: Lee Aloni, Trinidad Gai, Laurie Kruzel, LuAnn Scott, Iris Brent, Luz Wehmeyer, Charmayne Dent, Cynthia Rudy and Diana Morales.

Those absent: David Duda

Representing the Recreation Department: Joshua Rhodes, Facility Coordinator

Guests in attendance: Howard Meltzer and Ryan Shrouder, Cooper City Commissioners

**DISTRIBUTION OF PACKET MATERIALS – Confirmation of Quorum/Verification of Sign-In sheet**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Luz Wehmeyer to approve the minutes from October 5, 2020; seconded by Iris Brent and approved.

**Directors Report – December 2020**

**PAST EVENTS:**

**Halloween Trick or Treat on Wheels**

Saturday, October 24, 2020, 400 vehicles with children drove thru the community center driveway.

**Scarecrow Contest**

Two families from the community participated. Departments within the city challenged each other. The Recreation Department received the award for Most Creative.

**Veterans/ Day Ceremony**

200 people were in attendance

**Light Up Cooper City**

Though different from previous years, this event was well attended with 1,700 people. There were characters in costume and live carolers.

**Holiday Decorating Contest**

Houses will be visited on 12/16/2020. The winners will be announced at the Movie in the Park Event, 12/18/2020.

**Movie in the Park**

Arthur's Christmas will be shown at Memorial Park on 12/18/2020 at 7:00.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Cooper City Commissioners Recreation Advisory Board Proclamation**

The Cooper City Commissioners will acknowledge the work done by the Recreation Advisory Board at their meeting on December 15, 2020.

### **Santa Visits Cooper City**

Santa will be driven thru Cooper City neighborhoods from 12/18/2020 to 12/20/2020. There is an app to track his progress thru the city.

### **Food Distribution**

The Recreation Department continues to help our community with food distribution. Volunteers deliver food to those who need it every other Tuesday.

### **ASSIGNED PARKS – Member Comments/Concerns**

The parks continue to be sanitized by city employees. Trash has been picked up at the parks.

### **DOG REGISTRATION FOR PARKS**

Having a minimal yearly registration fee for dog park usage was suggested to assure the animals had their rabies shots. A non-resident visitors pass was suggested. Presently, staff and technology are not being used to monitor the parks and may come at a cost. Concerns about what the city can require legally were mentioned. It was suggested that some type of survey be put out to Cooper City residents concerning fees and monitoring of the dog parks. Some members felt there should be no fee, and others felt that most activities in Cooper City come with a fee for usage. Dog park registration will be discussed again at the January meeting.

### **ARTS IN PARKS – Committee Update**

At a standstill, cannot have any meetings with the schools due to COVID.

### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

There are fleas at the Christie Shafale dog park.

Follow up with committee in reference to Ted Ferrone park sidewalk issue. Plan a site visit or virtual viewing.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ryan Shrouder, our newest Cooper City Commissioner was introduced.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

### **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Monday, January 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm at City Hall Auditorium.

**Motion to adjourn by Laurie Kruzel; seconded by Cynthia Rudy and approved. Adjourned at 7:39 pm.**

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board on 1/4/21.

Certified Approved by Chair Signature

Laura L. Scott on 1/4/21.