



**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:30 PM and Megan Morrino from Embassy Creek Elementary led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Commissioner's Pulcini, Meltzer, Green, Curran and Mayor Ross.

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS

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 second Scholastic Mayors Chess Challenge of the 2019/2020 school year will be hosted by the City of Sunrise at the Sunrise Civic Center located at 10610 West Oakland Park Blvd from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- Join Tina Hudson for a Walk in the Park tomorrow September 25, 2019 at 6:30 PM at Flamingo West Park.
- The 2020 Census will be sending out representatives to canvas neighborhoods in Broward County on October 18, 2019.
- Mom and Son Night of Fun will be held on Saturday September 27, 2019 in the Community Center at 6:30 PM. Contact Brandon at 954-434-4300 Ext. 272 for more information.
- The community Garage Sale will be held on Saturday October 5, 2019 from 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Sports Complex located at 10300 Stirling Road.
- The 12th Annual Cooper City/Davie Community Autism Awareness Day will be held on Sunday November 24, 2019 at the Cooper City District 28 Fire Station from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

- Upcoming Commission Meetings: 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.
- Cooper City native George Acosta will join David Beckham's International soccer team.
- Cooper City's Code Ninjas was named number one in the Educational Retailers Category and Cooper City's Fit4Lyfe was a runner up in the Fitness Category at the South Florida Independent Retail Awards Ceremony.

The Commission made the following announcements:

- a. Yard of the Month was presented to Sonia Chavarria.
- b. Melissa Sauer from the Young Marines Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

a. Open Public Meeting

Marcos Ritter spoke on the Sports Complex and his concerns with the pickle ball courts.

Lillian Weissberg spoke on behalf of the Cooper City Picklers and the need for pickle ball courts.

Denise Yoezle advised she looked at the hockey rink at the Sports Complex. Staff will be pressure cleaning and repainting lines on that court. The tennis courts at Forest Lake Park are being resurfaced. The West tennis court will be two pickle ball courts.

Commissioner Meltzer said 5 years ago the City was moving forward with the pickle ball courts and nets. He fully supports pickle ball.

Diana Mastreangelo, Monterra resident spoke on her concerns with students crossing Stirling Road and Pine Island due to not having Broward County School bussing this year.

Mayor Ross said the Commission was not notified of the lack of bussing.

Commissioner Pulcini asked where the additional crossing guards that were added will be located.

Chief Cates answered SE Lake Blvd and Cooper City Elementary.

Commissioner Meltzer advised we should go look at the street.

Mayor Ross advised it would be addressed.

Commissioner Curran said that we need to notify the school board. He said that you can request the school to take you for a drive and see the accuracy of the 1.99 mile cutoff.

Jimmy Goulet, 5215 SW 90th Ter spoke on his concerns with social media posts and asked if the field rentals are online.

Mrs. Yoezle advised it is posted on the website.

Mike Bufalo spoke on the original budget for Flamingo West Park.

Mr. Lynn advised he can speak to Mr. Bufalo again on the information previously given to him as he doesn't have it tonight.

Mr. Bufalo said spoke on the original budget and the amendment. He also said that as a member of the Local 4321 Broward Firefighters Union and he received notification that the City proposed cutting the public safety budget by 2 million dollars by cutting personnel in Police and Fire.

Mayor Ross said Mr. Bufalo's frustration with receiving numbers is something that the City experiences with BSO. He advised he knows the interim City Manager has set down with him to review numbers. He said he spoke to several union representatives with no prevail. The City wants as much service that can be provided. He said he does not have any answers yet but he is patiently waiting.

David Nall said on May 22, 2018 a motion was approved to amend the original budget. He also spoke on the Finance Advisory Board and the Board sunseting.

Brenda Kezar, 4979 SW 90th Way spoke on concerns she received about a social media page. She believes the information on the page is false and misleading. She also thanked the Commission for giving their time to the City.

Commissioner Curran spoke for Lori Green who could not be present at the meeting. Ms. Green does not want to sunset the PSAB board. She wants the Board to be utilized and meet regularly.

b. Agenda Concerns

Kathleen Smith spoke on item 11-a Royal Palm Ranches and her concerns with potholes on the road. She does want to keep the area nice and theirs concerns with the roads.

Mo Anuar spoke on item 11-a on the history of the roads and his road in particular.