

Chapter 12 - Section 12.12

Wildlife Committee

Policy:

The Rotonda West Association (RWA) is authorized by Florida Statutes 720 and 617 to organize according to the needs of the Association. The RWA By-Laws, in Section 10, Article II, allows the Board of Directors to establish committees in order to facilitate the over-all operations of the Association.

The Wildlife Committee is hereby authorized as a Non-Required Standing Operating Committee according to the Association's Policy for Committees, Section 12.0, to carry out the purposes stated in the Charter below. The Committee is also authorized to make recommendations to the Board of Directors and carry out the responsibilities as officially and specifically delegated to the Committee by the Board of Directors as may reasonably be necessary to advance the interests of the RWA. The Board has the option of modifying the Wildlife Committee Charter at any time.

Charter:

The Wildlife Committee's mission is to advise and assist the Board of Directors and the Manager, in overseeing the well-being and protection of all forms of wildlife native to the Rotonda West Community. In addition, the Wildlife Committee shall work to educate the members of the Community regarding the laws and methods of protecting the wildlife and be an advocate for

establishing a harmonious co-existence with wildlife native to this area.

The Wildlife Committee shall carry out its mission and responsibilities in consort with and following the policies, guidelines, procedures and other requirements presented in the regulations found elsewhere in the RWA's Policy and Procedure Manual.

Rules, Guidelines, Procedures and Responsibilities:

12.12.01 – Any RWA voting member, as identified on the official list of property owners maintained by the RWA Office staff (and further defined in the Election Committee Section 12.06.08 of this manual) and his or her immediate family members living at that residence are eligible to volunteer and serve on the Wildlife Committee.

12.12.02 – Members of the Wildlife Committee shall become knowledgeable about the wildlife native to this area, including understanding their behaviors, being able to identify habitats, and also learning about the laws designed to protect endangered and threatened species.

12.12.03 – Trained as described above, Wildlife Committee members will then share the knowledge gained with residents, educating them on how to safely co-exist.

12.12.04 - The Wildlife Committee is authorized by the Board of Directors and RWA Management to enter undeveloped lots to inspect same for protected wildlife and, as appropriate, the placement of markers.

The Committee Authorization Resolution Follows This Section.