



Town of Southwest Ranches Advisory Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 7, 2025
7:00 pm

Town Hall
13400 Griffin Road
Southwest Ranches, FL 33330-2628

Board Members

Harold Gubnitsky
Rose Allbritton
Debbie Green

Rick Conrad
Alessia Martinez

Council Liaison

Council Member David S. Kuczenski, Esq.

Staff Liaison

Dan Stewart

- A. ROLL CALL**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- C. AGENDA AS FOLLOWS**
 - i. Election of Officers**
 - ii. Approval of December 3, 2024 Minutes**
- D. NEW BUSINESS**
 - i. Grant Opportunities Discussion with Emily Aceti**
 - ii. Bullet Points for Newsletter**
- E. OLD BUSINESS**
 - i. Reusable Items at HHW event at the Barn**
 - ii. Zero-Waste Consultant Scope of Work**
- F. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**
- G. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**
- H. STAFF COMMENTS**
 - i. Board Membership for 2025**
 - ii. Reusable Items at HHW event at the Barn**
- I. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- J. ADJOURNMENT**

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Town of Southwest Ranches Zero Waste Advisory Board Minutes

December 3, 2024
7:00 pm

Board Members

Rose Allbritton, Rick Conrad, Debbie Green,
Harold Gubnitsky, Alessia Martinez

Council Liaison

David Kuczenski

Staff Liaison

Dan Stewart

Members present:

Rose Allbritton
Rick Conrad
Debbie Green
Harold Gubnitsky

Members absent:

Alessia Martinez

Staff present:

Dan Stewart

Council present:

Gary Jablonski
Steve Breitkreuz
Jim Allbritton
Bob Hartmann

Others present:

See attendance sheet

Call to order at 7:00 PM

Chair expressed his gratitude for the council and the good work to come.

The members present reviewed the minutes of the November 2024 meeting.

Rick motioned to approve the November 2024 minutes. Rose seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussed the Utilities component of the Comp Plan Board.

Rick motioned to send the following recommendation to the Comp Plan Board; To include a requirement to ensure compliance with disposal of animal feces. Town would use best efforts to avoid harmful pesticides/herbicides /toxins from being used in Town. In 1.3a, to include zero waste initiatives; garbage, recycling, yard debris, composting. In section 1.3b to include allowance of a recovery resource facility that excludes incineration/wte/landfill. In section 1.3c change to strive for 70% recycling (to comply the state's mandate). 1.3f to also include the reduction of single use plastics. Rose seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The board discussed the need to review grant opportunities and would like Emily to attend our January meeting. The board discussed looking for grants to help change behaviors, educate, and create awareness of zero waste initiatives. We discussed the importance of bringing the message out to the schools. Chair suggested some kind of incentive to encourage residents to attend a zero waste initiatives program. Create game on the Town's website to help educate about recycling.

Zero Waste Consultant to follow in line with the grant writing, initiatives. Russell, Christina, and Dan will start with draft scope of work based on our discussion and will be brought back to this board in January.

The board should try to keep a short bullet point board report in each newsletter. Let's also get something in the January newsletter to inform residents of the new Re-Use Station at the quarterly HHW/Shredding/Medication event.

Farmer's Market operators are going to try best efforts to have the vendors comply with not using single use plastics and pilot compost program.

The chair thanked the board and staff for their work and look forward to what we can accomplish in next year.

John Garate volunteered to be the Trashter of Ceremonies to help educate and police the trash and recycling at the Southwest Ranches Park Foundation's carnival. Suggested to add volunteer opportunity for the kids on the Prime Volunteer App.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.