

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS
ADVISORY BOARD
JUNE 25, 2002**

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Present were Chair Geri Clark, Vice-Chair Wayne Arnold, Norman Blanco, Secretary Jason Curtis, Richelle Gilhauley (arrived at 6:36 p.m.), Donnell Johnson, John Pisula, Kitty Preziosi, and Denis Shaw. Also in attendance were Assistant Town Clerk Barbara McDaniel and Clerk Janet Gale recording the meeting. Katherine Montgomery and Zel Veeseer were absent.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 28, 2002

Mr. Pisula recommended that the minutes include Ms. Montgomery's intent to sue the Town.

Vice-Chair Arnold made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shaw, to accept the amended minutes of May 28, 2002. In a voice vote, with Ms. Gilhauley, Ms. Montgomery and Ms. Veeseer being absent, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 8-0)

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Brochure Ideas

The Boardmembers read their mission statements to brainstorm ideas for a mission statement for the Board. The Board worked on the ideas for the brochure by determining what the Board was about and they were as follows:

What

- Advisory Board to the Mayor and Councilmembers
- Create and maintain understanding and harmony
- Educate Town on problem solving
- Fostering positive aspects of the Town
- Provide a public forum for addressing issues
- Fostering positive aspects of the Town

How

- Actively listening to understand through public discussion
- Follow-up on issues
- Support initiatives that encourage the ideas of tolerance, mutual respect and understanding
- Provide access to phone line for reporting concerns and issues; and initiating inquiries into all such reports
- Facilitate resolutions

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Brochure

- “Bringing Davie Together”
- 11 individuals (10 Board and 1 Town Council) appointed by Town Council with two year terms
- Meet regularly, contact Town Hall for meeting time and place
- Mission
- How
- What
- Examples of important issues
- Important phone numbers, council, administration, and information
- Website: www.davie-fl.gov
- Helpful tips
- Map with parks and districts
- Hot line phone number and how to initiate process

Ms. Preziosi made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blanco, to have Chair Clark speak to Town Administrator Tom Willi, regarding having the Board added to the Town’s Website with a picture, phone number and information. In a voice vote, with Ms. Montgomery and Ms. Veaser being absent, all voted in favor. (Motion carried 9-0)

Chair Clark stated that she would speak to the Special Projects Director Bonnie Stafiej about submitting information about the Board to the Davie Update.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Curtis spoke regarding his appointment as Secretary and his responsibilities taking the minutes. He suggested that another Boardmember assume the responsibilities of the Board’s phone line. Chair Clark suggested that the Board wait until after the next Council meeting to see if there would be any amendments made to the board policy ordinance.

Mr. Pisula spoke regarding Palma Nova and the water rate increase and inquired as to whether it would be an issue the Board would get involved with. Vice-Chair Arnold responded that the Davie Water and Environmental Advisory Board was already involved with the matter which was opposed to the increase and had passed a resolution on the matter that was read before Council.

Chair Clark stated that Council was also opposed to the increase. She further stated that she would invite the Utilities Director Daniel Colabella and a representative of the Ferncrest Mobile Home Park to a future meeting. Chair Clark stated that the Town had no control over the Ferncrest utilities and informed the Board that she had learned the way to protest the matter was that a petition needed to be started which had to go to Tallahassee. Mr. Colabella and the representative of Ferncrest could educate the residents on how to make a change. Chair Clark stated that the only option the Town would have would be to conduct a study on acquiring the system.

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5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

6. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

Ms. McDaniel spoke regarding the new interactive program on the Town's Website, titled "Talk to Us" where comments could be submitted and tracked.

Ms. McDaniel reminded the Board that Housing and Community Development Director Shirley Taylor-Prackelt would be attending the July 23, 2002 to speak about the programs her department was involved with.

Chair Clark asked to Mr. Johnson about his interests in the Board. He responded that he thought it would be a good experience for him and would help him in his school activities. Mr. Blanco stated that he was encouraged to see a school aged person wanting to be involved with the Town. The remaining Boardmembers introduced themselves and welcomed Mr. Johnson to the Board.

Mr. Curtis explained the telephone action requests forms with Mr. Johnson that were provided to him.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Approved: _____

Chair/Board Member