

**DAVIE WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2006**

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. Board members present were Chair Tom Green, Vice-Chair Don Zane, Donald Prichard and Susan Vaught. Also present were Superintendent of Operations Bruce Taylor, Programs Manager Phillip Holste and Board Secretary Jenevia Edwards recording the meeting. Paul Cirinese, Gary Gaffney, Marlena Mosby and Hans Murzi were absent.

2. APPOINTMENT OF TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO OPEN SPACE BOND ADVISORY BOARD

Chair Green explained the reason for the special meeting, adding that he had attended the meeting of the Open Space Bond Advisory Board (OSBAB) on January 5th. He explained that the OSBAB were awaiting two representatives from this Board before selecting their chair and vice-chair. Chair Green advised of the various issues which the OSBAB had to determine which included definition of terms as there was a lot of ambiguous language involved. He added that there was disagreement over certain words and their meaning, particularly "open space" which meant different things to different people.

Chair Green highlighted the main theory discussed by the OSBAB that the bond money could be spent on existing open space or it could be used to purchase additional open space. He reminded Boardmembers that the Board operated in an advisory capacity and they would meet and present their ideas to the Town Council who would make the final decisions. He indicated that there was emphasis that the money would be distributed among each of the four Council districts and would be divided into four equal parts.

Chair Green advised that the most important issue for anyone interested in being on the Board was the schedule of future meetings which would be every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. until the end of February. He indicated that this would enable the Board to complete its work, submit the finished product through staff, then back to the OSBAB and finally to Council

Mr. Holste, staff liaison for the OSBAB, indicated that there was no deadline, but the sooner the criteria was set, the sooner the process would begin for the evaluation of the sites and the decision as to where the money would be spent. Vice-Chair Zane asked if this Board would have any input regarding the sites. Mr. Holste indicated that the OSBAB had a limited term and was established to create the criteria for the bond and it had not been determined who would choose the sites. Chair Green commented that individual sites would be recommended, partially by staff, and Council would make the final decision.

Chair Green asked who was interested in being on the OSBAB. Mr. Holste advised that although Mr. Gaffney was not in attendance, he was interested in serving on the Board. Vice-Chair Zane indicated that he was interested but was unable to do so because of a prior commitment. He hoped that this Board would have some input regarding the sites.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding residents input on the sites and how this would take place. Chair Green indicated that residents would be given an opportunity to have input, however, he was not convinced that it would happen through this advisory board. He expressed the opinion that input might be derived through public hearings, talking with individual Councilmembers or through the Open Space Advisory Board. Mr. Holste commented that the intention was for the OSBAB to create the criteria framework, hold two public meetings and present this criteria to residents for their input. He indicated that the residents input would be incorporated into the final criteria and submitted to Council as a recommendation. Council would make the determination as to whether to approve the recommendations or modify them.

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Vice-Chair Zane commented that since the meetings were public, why was it necessary to have public hearings. A brief discussion ensued with Mr. Holste commenting that although meeting notices were posted at Town Hall and on the Town's website, the Town was being proactive in getting the community involved through attendance at public hearings. Chair Green commented that a public hearing was held specifically to invite the public to make comments and the primary emphasis was not on public comments.

Chair Green inquired if Ms. Vaught had any interest in being on the OSBAB. She indicated that she did not have enough experience to participate. Following a brief discussion regarding each person's interest in being on the OSBAB, Chair Green asked for a motion as to who the representatives should be.

Vice-Chair Zane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Vaught, that Donald Prichard and Chair Green be the two representatives from the Davie Water and Environmental Advisory Board. In a voice vote, with Mr. Cirinese, Mr. Gaffney, Ms. Mosby and Mr. Murzi being absent, all voted in favor. (**Motion carried 4-0**)

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss and no objections, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Date Approved

Chair/Board Member