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PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION  
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**NOTICE OF MEETING**  
**AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**APRIL 4, 2019 - 5:00 PM**  
**Location: Council Chambers, 6591 Orange Drive, Davie, Florida 33314**  
**\*\*\* AGENDA \*\*\***

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. ROLL CALL
3. MOTION TO EXCUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1. January 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Documents:

[AEACM\\_2019\\_0110 DRAFT.PDF](#)

5. PRESENTATION

- 5.1. Presentation On Plastic Bags And Styrofoam

Dr. Richard Dodge, Professor and Dean at the Nova Southeastern University -  
Halmos College of Natural Sciences and Oceanography

Documents:

[RICHARD DODGE BIO.PDF](#)

6. OLD BUSINESS

- 6.1. Children's Educational Programs  
Jeffrey Pohlman, Parks & Recreation Director
  - 6.2. 2019 Sustainability Awards

7. NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1. Goal Setting
  - 7.2. Lawn Replacements

8. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

9. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

*Members of the Town Council may be present*

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**AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 10, 2019**

**DRAFT**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeremy Wehby, Chair	P
Eric Swalley, Vice Chair	P
Dr. Philip Busey	P
Adrienne Kaltman	A
Stephanie Munson	A
Carol Olson	A
Cynthia Schaefer	P
Scott Weinstein	P
Anthony Rodriguez	A

**STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT**

Lise Bazinet, Planner II  
Lorraine Robinson, Secretary

Chair Wehby called the meeting to order at 5:26 p.m.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

**3. MOTION TO EXCUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS – None.**

Ms. Schaefer asked if all members' absent called or emailed to state they would not be attending. Ms. Bazinet stated that both Ms. Kaltman and Ms. Olson were out of town, Ms. Munson would not be able to make it in time and Mr. Rodriguez had a work event.

**Motion** made by Ms. Schaefer, seconded by Vice Chair Swalley, to excuse Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**4.1 October 4, 2018 meeting**

Chair Wehby passed the gavel to Vice Chair Swalley to make a motion.

**Motion** made by Mr. Wehby, seconded by Ms. Schaefer, to approve the minutes. In a voice vote, with Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez absent, the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

Acting Chair Swalley passed the gavel back to Chair Wehby.

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Hydrogen Economy (tabled from 10/4/18)**

Ms. Bazinet provided some background on the tabled items stating these were from the 2018 goals set by the committee. The item has been tabled through the year.

Mr. Weinstein stated that the committee is not in a position to talk about hydrogen economy or make a recommendation to Council and feels that the item should be removed.

**Motion** made by Vice Chair Swalley, seconded by Ms. Schaefer, to remove Hydrogen Economy and reintroduce at a later date. In a voice vote, with Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez absent, the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

## **9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments was addressed out of order.

Mr. Busey asked to introduce a guest that was interested in joining the committee. Ms. d'Rene Benson, thanked the committee for the opportunity to speak. She stated that she was a long term resident of 18 years. Ms. Benson wanted to work on maintaining the beauty of the Town of Davie. Her observation of the committee is that many of the items on the agenda require that research is required in order to make informed decisions and move the items forward. She also stated that meeting quarterly didn't provide sufficient time. Ms. Benson provided some background on her work history and volunteer work. She would like to focus on children education.

Ms. Benson stated that Canada has a composting program. Ms. Schaefer responded that a recent previous meeting there was a presentation for a composting program in Miami Dade County, she said that having someone on board to provide a detailed proposal.

## **5. OLD BUSINESS Continued**

### **5.2 Children's Educational Programs (tabled from 10/4/18)**

Ms. Schaefer discussed that Marando Farms has space and would be open to programs added to their site. She stated there is a 4H meeting she will be attending to engage them.

Chair Wehby stated that Parkway Christian has implemented a small program to beautify their school. He stated that they are designing layouts.

Chair Wehby recommended that Ms. Schaefer bring before the committee an actionable item at the next meeting and suggestions on how to move it forward.

Mr. Weinstein wanted clarification that the committee is to come up with an idea for a Town based educational program based on agriculture or the environment palatable for Council to approve and implement. He mentioned a past program of planting a tree on Arbor Day and that the committee could present ideas like this. He would like the committee to come up with proposals to encourage year round programs with children.

Ms. Schaefer mentioned that Jeff Pohlman, Parks & Recreation Director was interested in doing programs like this.

Chair Wehby asked that since Ms. Schaefer and Mr. Weinstein had an interest in children's education and to bring some ideas to the next meeting. Mr. Weinstein said that he was willing to volunteer.

Chair Wehby asked that Ms. Bazinet invite Mr. Pohlman to attend the next meeting.

Mr. Busey would like to know what departments and staff members are involved in agriculture and environment issues.

Mr. Busey added that other cities may already have a structured program. Vice Chair Swalley agreed to do some research on existing programs and provide at the next meeting.

Vice Chair Swalley mentioned that there is a great resource with the Orange Blossom Festival and that the AEAC has a booth available.

### **5.3 Replacing Fossil Fuels (tabled from 10/4/18)**

**Motion** made by Ms. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, to remove Replacing Fossil Fuels when Vice Chair Swalley will reintroduce at a later date. In a voice vote, with Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez absent, the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **6.1 2019 Sustainability Awards**

Ms. Schaefer would like to have a rule that committee members not apply for the award. Mr. Weinstein was in opposition of this suggestion.

Vice Chair Swalley would like to speak at the February 6<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting and announce the nomination form is available online. In addition, he would like to have the applications available at the Orange Blossom Festival booth.

Chair Wehby suggested other categories such as best kept home and best kept business. Ms. Bazinet stated that Hollywood had such a program overseen by the Housing Department.

Ms. Bazinet read the categories listed on the 2018 nomination form. The panel agreed that all the categories were already listed and that increased promotion was needed.

Mr. Weinstein was under the impression that this was solely a nomination. Ms. Bazinet stated they anyone can nominate themselves.

Mr. Weinstein asked if advertising could be increased. Ms. Bazinet stated that the Town advertises on the Davie Update, Town web and other social media. Vice Chair Swalley added that the Town may not have a budget to advertise elsewhere.

Vice Chair Swalley complimented Ms. Bazinet on her selection of an award made from recycled glass.

**Motion** by Ms. Schaefer, seconded by Vice Chair Swalley, to approve the marketing, advertising, and awareness raising for the Sustainability Awards as they are, the same as done in the past. In a voice vote, with Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez absent, the motion passed. (4-1 with Mr. Weinstein abstaining)

## **7. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

Children's Education

Sustainability Awards

Goal Setting- two goals presented by each member

Lawn Replacements

**8. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS**

Mr. Busey stated that having meetings quarterly reduced the committee productivity. He asked the status of this matter which was brought up previously.

Ms. Bazinet stated that Administration wasn't changing the amount of meetings per year.

Vice Chair Swalley suggested could be a budget issue.

Mr. Busey was protesting the failure to increase.

Chair Wehby recommended that each committee member contact the Council member that appointed them and inform them that the committee would like the meetings increased to 6 times a year.

Vice Chair Swalley stated the benefits of having a resiliency officer. Chair Wehby suggested he make a motion.

**Motion** by Vice Chair Swalley, seconded by Ms. Schaefer, to ask the Town if they would nominate a resiliency officer. In a voice vote, with Ms. Kaltman, Ms. Munson, Ms. Olson and Mr. Rodriguez absent, the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – discussed earlier in meeting.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chair/Board Member

# Dodge, Richard

Dr. Richard E. Dodge is Dean of, and Professor at, the Nova Southeastern University (NSU) Halmos College of Natural Sciences and Oceanography. NSU is the largest private not-for-profit university in the Florida. Dodge is Executive Director of the Center's National Coral Reef Institute (NCRI). He is the author of many scientific publications and reports. His scientific expertise is on the effects of natural and man-induced impacts to coral reefs.

Dodge received his B.A. degree from Univ. of Maine in 1969 and the M.Phil. and Ph.D. in Geology & Geophysics from Yale University in 1973 and 1978. He is a recognized authority on corals and coral reef ecosystems. He has conducted research in Haiti, Saudi Arabia, Puerto Rico, Barbados, Turks & Caicos, Jamaica, Virgin Islands, Bahamas, Dominican Republic, Panama, Cayman Islands, Bermuda, Cape Verde Islands, Sao Tome & Principe (Gulf of Guinea), Mexico, and Florida. Dodge has held grants and contracts from sources including the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy, the US Geological Survey, the U.S. Navy, Florida Sea Grant, NOAA, the EPA, South Florida Water Management District, Marine Spill Response Corporation, MMS, Office of Naval Research, State of Florida DEP and FWC, Broward Co, and the US Department of Justice.

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