

# **Town of Southwest Ranches Zero Waste Advisory Board**

**Meeting Minutes** 

March 05, 2024 Town Hall 7:00 PM 13400 Griffin Road

Call to Order 7:09 PM.

# A. Roll Call

Harold Gubnitsky, Chair - Present Rose Allbritton, Vice Chair - Present Debbie Green, Secretary - Present Debra Goff Rose, Member - Present

A quorum was established.

**Also Present:** Mayor Breitkreuz, Council Members Allbritton, Jablonski, and Hartmann. Additionally, John Garate, Alessia Martinez, Town Clerk Debra Ruesga, and Deputy Town Clerk Dan Stewart were also present.

# **B.** Pledge of Allegiance

## C. Agenda as Follows:

Motion: To appoint Harold Gubnitsky as Chair.								
Result	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	HG	RA	DG	DGR	Passed	
	DG	RA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		

Motion: To appoint Rose Allbritton as Vice Chair.									
Result	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	HG	RA	DG	DGR	Passed		
	DGR	DG	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			

Motion: To set future meeting schedules for the first Tuesday of each month.									
Result	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	LR	EG	WB	RC	JH	Passed	
	DGR	RA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		

Motion: To Table 2024 Meeting Schedule to next Meeting.								
Result	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	HG	RA	DG	DGR	Passed	
	RA	DGR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		

### **D. New Business**

#### **Discussion:**

Board Members introduced themselves and gave a brief description of their qualifications pertaining to the Board. Mayor Breitkreuz and Council Members Allbritton, Hartmann, and Jablonski introduced themselves and discussed the importance of the Board.

Town Clerk Ruesga presented an Advisory Board Orientation to the members of the Board explaining the various rules and responsibilities of Board Members.

Officers for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary were elected.

The first Tuesday of each month was selected as the meeting day for the Board.

The 2024 meeting schedule was tabled until the next meeting.

The following items were discussed:

Contact Barbara Herrera from Waste Management (WM) regarding the following items:

Data on the amount of garbage, yard waste, and recycling collected in the Town.

Having a representative from WM attend the Board meetings.

Obtaining decals for Town recycling bins to educate the public regarding items that are approved for recycling.

Scheduling a tour of the recycling center.

Placing recycling bins at Town facilities.

How to distribute decals for recycling bins, possibly with student volunteers.

Members of the Board spoke about an online course on zero waste being given by the Zero Waste USA organization. Members also discussed with Town Clerk Ruesga and Mayor Breitkreuz the delicate nature of attending the class and not violating the sunshine laws.

Members of the public, Alessia Martinez and John Garate spoke about the importance of recycling, reducing waste, and getting the younger generations involved in the efforts.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 p.m.