

## MEMORANDUM

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June 8, 2021

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Commission  
**VIA:** James Slaton, City Manager  
**FROM:** Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk  
**RE:** Appointments – Airport Authority, Code Enforcement  
**SYNOPSIS:** Appointments to fill vacancies on the Airport Authority and Code Enforcement boards

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Commission make the following appointments and reappointments as deemed appropriate.

1. Reappoint Herb Gillis to the Airport Authority to a new term to expire July 1, 2024
2. Reappoint Sara Jones to the Code Enforcement Board to a new term to expire July 1, 2024.
3. Reappoint Dwight Wilson to the Code Enforcement Board to a new term to expire July 1, 2024.
4. Appoint Courtney Schmitt to the Code Enforcement Board to a term to expire July 1, 2024.

### BACKGROUND

On July 1<sup>st</sup> many terms on the various boards, Commissions and Authorities are expiring. Here are those applying for appointment or reappointment to new terms.

The Mayor makes appointments to various citizen advisory and regulatory boards, commissions, committees, and authorities with the advice and consent of the City Commission (City Charter, Sec. 3.06).

**Airport Authority** (City Code Sec. 2-41) – The board consists of seven (7) voting members and one (1) non-voting member who is a City Commissioner. At least two (2) voting members must be qualified electors of the City. The remaining members chosen may be persons owning property located within the City of Lake Wales or persons having a business tax receipt issued by the City of Lake Wales, are airport tenants, or have general aviation experience. (3-year term)

The non-voting City Commission member serves for the duration of his or her term as City Commissioner, unless such Commissioner desires to serve a shorter period of

time. In such event, the Lake Wales City Commission shall appoint another city commissioner to serve in the same manner.

- There is no interview process requirement for applicants applying for appointment to this board.
- Members are not required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 3 Vacancies due to expiring terms

Current Members: **John Lodge, non-resident** 10/03/12--07/01/21, P+1  
**Herb Gillis, non-resident,** 02/05/19--07/01/21, P  
Clarke Gerard, non-resident chair 06/05/18--07/01/19, P  
Charles N. Clegg, resident 07/19/16--07/01/19, 1  
**Rudy Engholm, resident** 11/17/20--07/01/21, P  
Phillip Weikert, non-resident 11/17/20--07/01/23, 1  
Barbara Pelisek, non-resident 07/01/20--07/01/22, P+2  
Commissioner Curtis Gibson, non-voting member 05/07/19 - 05/04/21,

The Airport Authority has recommended Herb Gillis for reappointment.

Applying for reappointment: Herb Gillis, non-resident for a term expiring on 7/1/2023.

There are three vacancies on the Code Enforcement Board due to expiration of terms.

**Code Enforcement Board (City Code Sec. 2-56)** – The board consists of seven (7) members. Whenever possible, membership shall include an *architect*, a *businessperson*, an *engineer*, a *general contractor*, a *subcontractor*, and a *realtor*. Members must be residents. (3-year term) 2 alternates can also be appointed.

- An interview process is necessary for new applicants only.
- Members are required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: **3 vacancies, residents; 2 alternate seats**

**Current Members:** **Dwight Wilson, resident** 12/18/18 – 07/01/21 1  
**Wilena Vreeland, resident** 07/01/18 – 07/01/21, P+3  
Rodney Cannon, resident 02/04/2020 – 07/01/2021, 2  
Ralph E. Marino, 07/01/19 – 07/01/2022 P  
Bruce Austell, 02/04/2020 – 07/01/2021 1  
Julia Paul 02/18/20 – 07/01/23 P  
**Sara Jones, resident** 10/16/18 – 07/01/21 1

**Applying for Appointment:**

Dwight Wilson has applied to be reappointed to a term expiring on July 1, 2024

Sara Jones has applied to be reappointed to a term expiring on July 1, 2024

Courtney Schmitt has applied to be appointed to a term expiring on July 1, 2024

Deanna Joyner has applied to be appointed to a term expiring on July 1, 2024

**OPTIONS**

Do not appoint those that have applied.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None. These are volunteer boards.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Applications