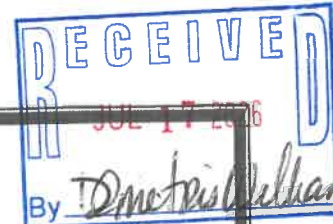


HERNANDO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BOARD/COMMITTEE APPLICATION



Please type or print clearly

Name of Board/Committee Library Advisory Committee
Check one: ☒ Full Member Position
☐ Alternate Member Position

Name Gary Sechen
(Your name must be listed as it appears on your voter registration card)

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR COUNTY RECORDS AND BECOMES PUBLIC RECORD UPON SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION. IF YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU QUALIFY FOR AN EXEMPTION TO THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION, PURSUANT TO F.S. 119.07, PLEASE STATE THE BASIS OF YOUR EXEMPTION. YOUR FAILURE TO ANSWER FULLY AND TRUTHFULLY ALL QUESTIONS COULD RESULT IN YOUR APPLICATION BEING DENIED OR YOUR SUBSEQUENT REMOVAL FROM ANY BOARD/COMMITTEE IF APPOINTED.

Address 24490 Audubon Drive

City Brooksville Zip 34601

Telephone 305-747-8277 (home) n/a (business)

E-mail address gswm13@gmail.com

Are you a resident of Hernando County? yes

Voter Registration Number 113913335

Education AS - Business, BS - Accountancy, MBA - Finance
(Please include any certificates, awards, diplomas, degrees, professional license numbers, etc.)

Employment History Attached
(Attach a resume if available)

Licenses or Certificates Held n/a

Have you ever previously applied for a position on any County Board/Committee? yes

If yes, please state the Board(s)/Committee(s) you applied for, when you applied, and whether you were appointed.
Library Advisory Committee, not appointed

Have you ever been convicted, plead guilty or no contest, or entered into PTI for a felony or 1st/ 2nd degree misdemeanor? no
Answering yes does not automatically disqualify you for consideration.

If yes, what charges? _____

Are you currently involved as a defendant in a criminal case? no

If yes, what charges? _____

Have you ever been named as a defendant in a civil action suit? no

If yes, when and describe action. _____

Please state your reasons for applying to this Board/Committee I use the Hernando County Library frequently and would like to give back my time and talents to the organization. Besides books and other media, I use the "seed" library, ingredient library program and other services offered.

Please list three character references of persons NOT related to, NOT an employer, NOT an employee of you or your company, and whom you have known at least one (1) year. Please include addresses and phone numbers.

1. Jenepher Puniska, 24479 Audubon Drive, Brooksville, FL 34601 352-540-9234
2. Susan Lumsden, 128 Highland Street, Brooksville, FL 34601 417-274-1561
3. Larry Henke, 1202 San Bernardo Road, The Villages, FL 32162 352-467-4320

I hereby request consideration as a committee/board appointee. It is my intention to familiarize myself to the duties and responsibilities of the office to which I may be appointed, and to fulfill the appointment to the best of my ability, exercising good judgement, fairness, impartiality, and faithful attendance. By my signature below, I hereby authorize Hernando County to check my references and my background, including, without limitation, obtaining a criminal history check. I also agree to file a Financial Disclosure form as required by State law, if applicable, and abide by provisions of the State Sunshine Law.

I hereby swear and affirm, under Penalty of Perjury, that the above information is true and correct.

Applicant s signature



(Please direct all inquiries to the County Administrator s Office at 754-4002.)

Completed applications may be submitted to the County Administrator's office, 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604, or faxed to 352-754-4025 Attention: Jessica Wright.



Hernando County Background Consent / Release Form

As a volunteer applicant, I understand and acknowledge that an investigative report may be compiled on me. This report may include information regarding any criminal records, and from various public and private sources including law enforcement agencies at the Federal, State or County level, courts record repositories, sexual offender registries and any other source required to verify information that I have voluntarily provided.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Legal Name: Gary Sechen
Date of Birth: 11/21/1954
Other Names Used: n/a
(Legal Name) First M.I. Last
Dates Used (from/to):
Home Phone #: 352-544-0126
Cell Phone #: 305-747-8277
E-mail Address: gswm13@gmail.com
Are you 18 years of age or older? ☒ Yes ☐ No

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Current Address: 24490 Audubon Drive
City, State, Zip : Brooksville, FL 34601
Time at this address: 14 Years 9 Month
Previous Address: 1325 South Street
City, State, Zip : Key West, FL 33040
Time at this address: 14 Years Month

By signing below, you hereby authorize, empower and release from all liability, without reservation, any agency contacted by Hernando County to furnish the above-mentioned information. You further authorize ongoing procurement of the above-mentioned information at any time during your relationship with Hernando County. You agree that a fax or photocopy of this authorization is to be considered and accepted with the same authority as the original.


Applicant's Signature

7/17/24
Date

GARY SECHEN
24490 Audubon Drive, Brooksville, FL 34601
Home Phone 352-544-0126/Cell 305-747-8277
gswml3@gmail.com

Objective

Seeking a position where I can use my wide range of experience to provide value added service to my employer.

Summary

Worked with the public for 25 years
Motivated financial professional with over thirty years of experience
A goal oriented, deadline respecting employee
Provide a wide range of financial services from entry level to supervisor, management and reporting to senior management
VP-CFO of Key West Bank for 9 years
Financial Manager for Kraft Foods – 18 years
Community Involvement with two non-profits

Employment History

2020 – Current

Hernando County Supervisor of Elections
EVID Operator, Voting Equipment Specialist, Assistant Precinct Clerk, Precinct Clerk

3/1/16 – 11/30/2019

Kennel Worker/Customer Service Assistant/Customer Service Tech II – Hernando County Animal Services

Provide kennel support, cleaning, feeding, vaccinations. Office work includes customer service, BLDSYS work, PetPoint animal system, adoptions, receive payments, adoptions and impounds. Managed offsite Pet Friendly Hurricane Shelter before/during/after Hurricane. Process payments and input citations from Animal Enforcement Officers. Maintain citation files for Special Master hearings. Notary Service for Animal Service Citations. Work with Sheriff Department Animal Enforcement Officers to input and insure citations are correct before Special Master monthly hearings. Help Animal Enforcement Officers to assure proper notice is given to defendants and paperwork is provided to Special Master. Follow up on payment plans and liens. Create spreadsheets for weekly animal counts. Help other areas as needed.

07/2014 – 03/2016

Sawmill Campground Gatehouse – Provide customer service to residents and temporary guests. Make reservations, check in guests and insure security of campground. Sell supplies to residents and guests, maintain cash box and safe balances. Update event calendars for weekly specials. Assist other departments as needed.

03/2014 – 03/2016

Cashier Home Depot – accurately, personable and quickly assist customers to complete their shopping at Home Depot, Spring Hill, FL. Process payments as tendered by customers with cash, credit/debit cards and checks. Answer questions and provide help as needed. Assist fellow cashier, clean and keep workspace organized. Use mobile technology to accurately assist customers during checkout and assisting during their shopping.

01/2001 – 09/2010

VP-CFO Key West Bank/On Call Staffing – Manage the Finance, Accounting and IT functions and staff. File quarterly bank regulatory reports with federal banking regulators. Manage stockholder files, stock transactions and quarterly dividends. Report to the President & CEO, Board of Directors and committees. Maintain security of bank employees, customers and assets. Worked with other departments, Loans and Deposits to provide support to those areas as needed. Managed bank on weekends. Created budgets and monthly/quarterly reports.

09/1998 – 10/2000

Owner/operator Dorothy's Deli – owned and managed deli/corner store. Ordered merchandise, maintained inventory. Sold the business after two years.

1998 – 2000

Bookkeeper Budde's Office Supply – bookkeeping and office help for small office supply store.

1979 – 1997

Kraft Foods – financial management for manufacturing sites and retail food products produced and marketed by Kraft Food.

1976 – 1979

Accountant – Muskegon Piston Ring – Payroll, cost accounting, accounts payable/accounts receivable.

EDUCATION

Completion Date	Issuing Institution	Qualification	Course of Study
08/1981	Western Michigan University	Master's Degree	Finance
Achieved a 3.33 GPA during evening hours while working full-time.			
02/1976	Ferris State College	Bachelors Degree	Accounting
Earned a 3.31 GPA and financed my education by working part-time during school and full-time during summers.			
05/1974	Muskegon Community College	Associates Degree	Business