

DUCK KEY SECURITY DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting July 5, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Rick Sherman, Chair
Bob Kelley
Jon Porter
Michael Weber

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Laurie Oestreicher, Secretary

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tamara Lamarche - Executive Asst. for Comm. David Rice
Judith Clarke - Chief Engineer, Monroe County
Jim Molenaar, Assistant County Attorney
Frank Jackson - DKSAB Technical Asst.
Det. Michael Onsgard, MCSO
Chris Lancaster - Resident

ABSENT

Bob Moore, General Manager, Hawks Cay
Lt. Brian Sapp, FWC (written update provided)

PROCEEDINGS:

- Meeting called to order at 4:05 by Chair Rick Sherman
- Meeting held via ZOOM
- Date of meeting: July 5, 2022

Rick Sherman welcomed all and noted the meeting was being held via ZOOM. He informed the board that Megan Merryman has been chosen for appointment to the Advisory Board, which will be formally approved by the BOCC at the July 20, 2022 meeting. She is expected to join the board at the September 6, 2022 meeting.

(Note: approval of agenda and minutes were delayed until a quorum had been established.)

MOTION: To Approve July 5, 2022 Meeting Agenda.

Motion to approve by Jon Porter; second Bob Kelley

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: To approve the meeting minutes of May 3, 2022
Motion to approve by Bob Kelley; second by Michael Weber.
MOTION CARRIED

STANDING REPORTS

MCSO – Det. Michael Onsgard provided the status report. He advised that telephone fraud has increased and urged residents of the county to be cautious in giving out their personal information. He also suggested residents not leave fishing and boating equipment on their boats if they are not in use.

Ralons Security – Luis Requejo reported there have been some cell phone call issues with where residents reported they could not reach the guard by phone. They are looking into getting a new service provider and will likely make a change to help address that problem. There seem to be a couple of “dead spots” on the island where cell service drops.

Hawks Cay Resort – Bob Moore was absent.

FWC – Lt. Brian Sapp was absent, but provided the following written update:

“Operation Dry Water” was conducted by all law enforcement agencies the past three days. FWC, US Coast Guard and MCSO conducted hundreds of boating safety inspections in an attempt to keep our roads and waterways safe from impaired operators. No boating accidents reported near Marathon or Duck Key. One impaired operator arrested near Cudjoe Key.

-Dozens of citations issued near the Marathon and Duck Key area for wake zone violations, careless operation, and other various safety violations.

-With the conclusion of Operation Dry Water, FWC is now preparing for the 2022 Mini Lobster Season. Beginning next week, FWC will be sending out of county officers to Monroe County to assist with resource protection.

OLD BUSINESS

Technology Update – Frank Jackson reported that all cameras have been working well, with no issues. The radar signs are also working with no problems. Barnes Alarm has provided a written quote for the new camera server, they are awaiting for a purchase order to be issued from the County for purchase. This is in process.

Frank reported that the contractors for the bridge project still occasionally park equipment in front of the cameras over a weekend, but it gets moved with report to Engineering. It is happening less often as they are getting the word to look for the cameras when parking.

NEW BUSINESS

Bridge Update as of 7/5/22 – Judith Clarke, Chief Engineer, Monroe County

American Empire Builders (AEB) installed the barrier wall support slab and partial cap and stubbed out the steel for barrier wall construction on top of the MSE wall on the east side of Bimini Bridge. The contractor is coordinating with AT&T and Comcast to schedule their trenching along the centerline of the road up to the end bent for underground installation of two 4-inch conduits along the approach for eventual installation through the new beams. Once the conduit installation is complete the contractor will proceed with forming and pouring the approach slab by the end bent cap on the east end.

The contractor formed the spread footer and column that will replace the outer pile on the west end of the bridge. They are currently installing the steel for the footer and column and anticipate pouring the concrete on Wednesday July 6th. Upon completion of the concrete pour for the footer and column the contractor will proceed with forming and pouring the end bent on the west end as well as proceeding with placing the backfill for the MSE wall on the west end.

FCAA's contractor is continuing with installation of manhole structures at Seaview Drive and Harbour Drive Bridges; FCAA anticipates that the tie in of the new utility lines will occur the week of July 11th if not sooner. FCAA will send out public notifications for schedule shutdown of the potable water system once the tie in schedule is confirmed. There will not be a disruption of the wastewater or reclaimed water systems during tie in.

Monroe County has advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for construction engineering and inspection (CEI) services for the Seaview Drive Bridge Replacement and anticipates advertising for construction bids shortly so that the Seaview Drive Bridge Replacement project may begin in Fall, 2022.

Rick asked if anyone has any suggestions for capital projects next budget cycle that had not yet been discussed, so we can provide that information to County staff working on budget. No one had any additional cp items.

Rick Sherman brought up for consideration at the September 6 meeting, if the board would be in favor of going back to in-person meetings at Hawks Cay. Tamara will check on arranging ZOOM conference to compliment to the in-person meetings for members out of town, and County staff based in Key West, public attendance, etc.

New Member Notice – Through the DKSAB Meeting minutes, residents are advised there will still be a vacant seat on the advisory board that needs to be filled. This would be a full-term of 3 years. The board meets bi-monthly, six times a year. Board members should solicit/advise interested residents to submit a brief resume/bio...the information goes to the office of Comm. David Rice. For more information, call Tamara Lamarche at 305-289-6000.

There were no Public Comments prior to adjourning

There were 11 people on the ZOOM call
Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Next DKSAB meeting will be September 6, 2022, at 4 p.m. via Zoom, at this time.

Minutes submitted by: Tamara Lamarche, Executive Assistant, Mayor David Rice's office.
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