

DUCK KEY SECURITY DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting September 5, 2023

Location: Hawks Cay Conference Center, Room C

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT/ZOOM (Z)

Rick Sherman, Chair
Laurie Oestreicher, Secretary (Z)
Tim Abner, Vice Chair (Z)
Jon Porter
Bob Kelley (Z)
Laurie Keiling
Megan Merryman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tamara Lamarche - Executive Asst. for Comm. David Rice
Christina Cory, Assistant County Attorney (Z)
Judy Clarke, Engineer, Monroe County
Frank Jackson – DKSAB Technical Asst.
Bob Moore – Hawks Cay General Manager (Z)
Officer Brian Sapp – FWC (Z)
Ex-Officio DKSAB Member MCSO – Detective Fernandez
Luis Requejo – Ralons Security (Z)
Karen Schulte, Resident
Ken Floyd, Resident
Manuel Pacal, Resident
Kristina Porter, Resident
Tiffany Holmes, Resident (Z)
Ron Oestreicher, Resident and Duck POA President (Z)

PROCEEDINGS:

- Meeting called to order at 4:05 by Chair Rick Sherman
- Meeting held in person with ZOOM Hybrid Communication Media Technology (CMT)
- Date of meeting: September 5, 2023

Rick Sherman welcomed all and noted the meeting was being held at the Hawks Cay Conference Center, room C, as well as via ZOOM.

Roll call: All board members present, 3 members by ZOOM. Quorum achieved. See listing on first page.

Item II. Approval of September 5, 2023 Meeting Agenda.

Motion to approve by Jon Porter; second Rick Sherman, none opposed.

MOTION CARRIED

Item III: Approval of the meeting minutes of July 5, 2023

Motion to approve by Bob Kelley; second by Rick Sherman, none opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Item IV. Comments from the Public

Rick said comments and questions can be asked by the public at any time during the meeting.

V. STANDING REPORTS

MCSO

Detective Fernandez reported that there were some theft of GPS units at Hawks Cay recently and are being investigated as possible connection to GPS theft ring discovered operating in Keys and South Florida by MCSO. Arrests have been made in the case, investigation ongoing. Other issues, a credit card fraud, trespassing, some not reported to MCSO, or unfounded. Laurie Oestreicher asked about the missing pallet of tiles posted on NextDoor. Frank said he understood it to be a misunderstanding, the contractor moved the pallet of tile. Det. Fernandez confirmed that it was unfounded. A stolen golf cart was recovered, it was reported a man and a couple of young teen boys were joyriding, a tree was damaged and the cart sustained some damage. Cart was left behind in the road. Camera video will be reviewed by MCSO and Frank to see if the cart drivers were recorded for aid in identification.

Ralons Security

(The number to call to report incidents to the guard on duty is 305-731-8238, 8 p.m. to 4 a.m.)

Luis Requejo reported that he was contacted regarding the stolen golf cart. He instructed the caller to contact MCSO and report it. The 2-day lobster mini-season and our special

extra patrols went smoothly. We turned back some canoes trying to launch in the canal with lobster gear on board. Generally quiet, routine with no issues.

Hawks Cay Resort

Bob Moore reported that Hawks Cay had some issues with the lobster 2-day mini-season, Thank you to Det. Fernandez and MCSO, and FWC for their assistance. The Marina renovation is ongoing, Hawks Cay projects the marina store to open January 2024. Will keep you posted.

FWC

Lt. Brian Sapp apologized to missing the last couple of meetings. This was due to staffing vacancies in FWC, they now are up to full staffing and training complete, so in good shape. FWC was busy during the 2-day mini lobster season, but all when well.

VI. OLD BUSINESS/Technology Report

Technology Update – Frank Jackson reported no problems with the camera equipment, all are operational. There had been an issue with a damaged dome lens on a camera, Barnes Security replaced it and it is functioning now. Another camera lens needs replacement, view is blurry, will schedule with Barnes Alarm. 1 Radar sign on N. Indies was not functioning properly due to an issue with the control board, a new control board arrived in July and the repair complete and unit operational.

Rick reported that a resident next to Bimini Bridge reported that when FKEC ran the electric service under the bridge, the remaining electric pole to the camera was left. The cost for running the camera electric under the bridge is \$1,460 cost estimate from FKEC according to Fritz Anderson. Who would pay for this? Mr. Anderson wants the single pole removed. Judy Clarke stated that this would not be paid for by the County, but should be an allowable expense from the Security District funds, as it is part of the security camera system. Judy noted that electric service via poles aboveground is still running down Vista Ln. near the bridge.

ACTION ITEM: Request to Judy Clarke, Engineering, check with FKEC if they are planning to run the Vista Ln. electric service underground, it is just adjacent of our Bimini Bridge project. Could they pick up the security camera electric service when they do that run? Note that Harbour bridge camera electric service will be need to run underground. Report to Board. (Tamara will handle email Judy Clarke to check with FKEC regarding the Vista Ln. electric service question and our camera electric service at Bimini, as well as the camera service at Harbour Bridge.)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Bridge Update - Judith Clarke, Chief Engineer, Monroe

Judy reported that Bimini Bridge is almost completed. First approach slab will be laid tomorrow, next week the approach slab for the other side will be laid, and paving. Will open both lanes up. When we about to reach substantial completion (done to the punch list items segment of project).

Ron Oestreicher asked about the ROW drainage issues and landscaping. Duck POA is very concerned about the plan to lay down only sod. Who will maintain it and water it, so it doesn't become a "wheat field" on each side of the areas around the bridges? We need shrubs to block access to properties adjacent to the bridge advances by trespassers. He stated for 6-7 years now we have brought up the issue of landscaping and now suddenly, they are just going to drop sod. Laurie Keiling agreed, said we had palms and shrubs previously that were removed. Rick said he had more trespassing issues since the side ROW was opened up.

Judy said that the swales and sod are needed for storm water run-off, these are new storm water management policies in place now County-wide. Landscaping is only allowed outside the swale/sodded area.

Harbour Bridge project contract is on the September 20 BOCC agenda for approval. Power will also go underground here. (Camera power pole and running service underground will need to be addressed here as well.)

There was no video available for the street sign that was knocked down recently. It has been repaired. The road crew righted the stone marker by Seaview Bridge. Duck Key POA is reinstalling some island signage recently knocked over or damaged.

It was reported that there is no camera on the Yacht Club side of Seaview Bridge and no camera coming out of Harbour, only going in. Bimini only has an "overview" camera and no license reader.

ACTION ITEM: Make a listing and cost estimates for cameras and readers where needed. Need cameras/readers both side of bridges. Report to Board. (Frank)

X. Public Comments

Kris Porter asked about the cuts across the road on Corsair. It is deep and very dangerous. Judy Clarke explained that private contractors permit with the County for new house construction or new service, which includes the electric run. They are required to repair the road cuts. They may do it once, and these often sink over time. It's not part of bridge project. Engineering staff follows up with these, pulls permits, calls the contractor involved. It's a losing battle. State Law gives them lots of room for working in our

roadways, but no consequences for not doing the proper repaving repair. A “temporary” patch is generally all they do. Engineering will continue our efforts, but this is a constant problem county-wide.

Motion to adjourn made by Jon Porter, second by Laurie Keiling.
Meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Next DKSAB meeting will be **November 7, 2023, at 4 p.m.** at the Hawks Cay Resort Meeting room and via Zoom, details to follow.

Minutes submitted by: Tamara Lamarche, Lamarche-tamara@monroecounty-fl.gov