

DUCK KEY SECURITY DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting Sept. 3, 2024

Location: Hawks Cay Conference Center, Room A

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (P)/ZOOM (Z)

Tim Abner, Vice Chair (Z)
Laurie Oestreicher, Secretary (P)
Jon Porter (P)
Ken Floyd (P)
Brandon Mullar (P)
Laurie Keiling (Z)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Megan Merryman

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tamara Lamarche - Executive Asst. for Comm. David Rice
Trish Eables, Assistant County Attorney (Z)
Frank Jackson – DKSAB Technical Asst.
MCSO – Detective Swire (Z)
FWC – Officer Brian Sapp (Z)
Luis Requejo – Ralons Security (Z)
Ron Oestreicher – DKPOA President, Resident
Jenny Nowak, Resident

ABSENT:

Chief Engineer, Monroe County - Judith Clarke
Hawks Cay Resort Manager – Joshua Torai, General Manager

PROCEEDINGS:

- Meeting called to order at 4:00 by Tim Abner, Vice Chair
- Meeting held in person with ZOOM Hybrid Communication Media Technology (CMT)
- Date of meeting: Sept. 3, 2024

Laurie Oestreicher, DKSAB Secretary, welcomed all and noted the meeting was being held at the Hawks Cay Conference Center, room C, as well as via ZOOM.

Roll call: Not all board members present, 2 members by ZOOM. Quorum achieved. See listing on first page.

Item I. Motion to Amend the Meeting Agenda for Sept. 3, 2024, add approval by the Board to accept voting via ZOOM by Board members unable to attend the meeting in person, via resolution #397-2020, rules on meeting via CMT (Communications Media Technology)

Motion to approve by Laurie Oestreicher; second Ken Floyd, none opposed.

MOTION CARRIED

Item II: Approval of the meeting minutes of July 2, 2024

Motion to approve by Jon Porter; second by Laurie Keiling, none opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Item III: Welcome an introduction of new DKSAB members by Tim Abner: Ken Floyd and Brandon Mullar.

Item IV: Comments from the Public.

Laurie Oestreicher advised questions can be asked by the public at any time during the meeting.

V. STANDING REPORTS

MCSO – Detective Swire advised there were no issues to report of crime in Duck Key since the last meeting, there was 1 car break in at Hawks Cay, nothing else to report at this time.

Ralons Security – Luis Requejo reported that Duck Key has been quiet, with not many incidents. There have been calls during the day from residents to Luis Requejo on his office phone. Residents should be aware that the Ralons Security patrol hours are from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., and any concerns or incidents to report during those hours the Ralons Security Guards should be called at 305-731-8238. For concerns and incidents during the day and outside of the Ralons Security patrol hours, residents should call MCSO at 9-1-1 or 305-289-2430. As it is still hurricane season residents should be aware that in case of a hurricane with winds over 45 MPH, the Ralons Security Guards will not be on patrol, as it is not safe for them to be in a vehicle and there is no place to shelter from the storm. Patrols will resume as soon as it is safe to do so.

Hawks Cay **Resort** – No one in attendance, new Resort Manager, Joshua Torai will be again contacted and invited to join future meetings.

FWC – Lt. Brian Sapp advised all that there has not been a lot of activity to report for Duck Key and there was minimal activity over the Labor Day Weekend. FWC is currently experiencing a shortage of personnel and their staffing is currently under 50%. Only issues in the Middle Keys on the water recently have been lobster trap robbing of commercial traps.

VI. OLD BUSINESS/Technology Report

Technology Update – Frank Jackson reported no problems with the camera equipment, all are operational. All Speed Radar signs are operational and working. Data information concerning speed infractions he hoped to retrieve from the Speed Radar sign on East Seaview Drive was not decipherable.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Bridge Update - Judith Clarke, Chief Engineer, Monroe County was unable to attend the meeting but sent a Duck Key Bridge Update as of Sept. 3, 2024.

Bimini Drive Bridge:

Utility locates have been called in to the statewide one call system and subsurface utilities marked for sign installation. Contractor has ordered signs and will install them upon receipt from the sign fabricator. Contractor was not given a delivery date for signs. Once sign installation is complete the project will be closed out.

Seaview Drive Bridge:

Contractor was notified that liquidated damages will be assessed once contract completion date of September 4, 2024 has been reached. Damages are \$500 per day for the first 15 days, \$1,000 per day for the next 15 days and \$3,500 per day on the 31st day thereafter. Contractor and Surety have been notified of County's consideration of declaring a contractor default and request for conference.

Harbour Drive Bridge:

Contractor completed demolition of the wall and roadway on the south end of the bridge and has constructed the template to begin sheet pile installation, which will commence this week. Contractor has completed demolition of the roadway, backwall and wingwalls on the north end of the lane and will remove a concrete pad in order to construct the template for sheet pile installation on that side. Upon completion of the sheet pile installation the contractor will install the concrete piles. Vibration monitoring is being performed during this work in conformance with the contract.

Audience Comments:

At this point of the Bridge update resident Ron Oestreicher advised all that the question and concern of property damages of \$12,000 to a residence off the Bimini Bridge construction area has still not been addressed or remedied by the Contractor as part of his contract. It was suggested that final payments to the Contractor for Bimini

Bridge be withheld until the matter is paid/finalized. Resident and DKSAB Board member Laurie Keiling also asked for Judith Clarke to have people to check the underside of Bimini Bridge for inspection, prior to final payments to the Contractor as it appears there is considerable rebar erosion happening under the newly built bridge. There was more conversation from the Board on Bridge completion concerns and it was decided a request for a Monroe County Commission Public meeting in Duck Key would possibly be beneficial. The property association DKPOA is requesting the same meeting.

MOTION: DKSAB is recommending in collaboration DKPOA, that the BOCC set up a public meeting for Duck Key residents to be able to discuss all bridge questions/issues/concerns, including what the County plans are for going forward and for completion of all the bridges under contract/default with the current Contractor.

Motion made by: Laurie Oestreicher; second Tim Abner, none opposed.

MOTION CARRIED

B. Bridge Contractor Update -
See update report above. No additional information was provided.

C. MOTION: Recommendation to the BOCC to approve to purchase an annual subscription for monthly data reports for 3 of the Speed Radar signs in Duck Key located on Bimini Drive North, West Seaview Drive and East Seaview Drive for 1 year to generate reports for DKSAB and MCSO for enhancing speeding enforcement efforts. (Annual cost for each sign subscription is \$450, total \$1,350.)

Motion made by: Laurie Oestreicher; second Brando Mullar, none opposed.

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. Public Comments None

Motion to adjourn made by Jon Porter: second by Ken Floyd, meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

General information: Next DKSAB meeting will be November 5, 2024, at 4 p.m. at the Hawks Cay Resort Meeting room and via Zoom. Notification will be sent prior to the meeting.

Minutes submitted by: Laurie Oestreicher laurie.oestreicher@gmail.com