

DUCK KEY SECURITY DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting September 2, 2025

Location: Hawks Cay Conference Center, Room A

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (P)/ZOOM (Z)

Tim Abner, Chair (P)
Laurie Oestreicher, Secretary (P)
Jon Porter, Vice Chair (P)
Ken Floyd (P)
Jennie Nowak (P)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Brandon Mullar

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tamara Lamarche - Executive Asst. for Comm. David Rice, Assistant County Attorney
Reggie Cooper – Hawks Cay Managing Director
Justin Harris – Acting Hawks Cay Director of Facilities and Security
Frank Jackson – DKSAB Technical Asst.
Gaelan Jones _ Monroe County Assistant Attorney
MCSO – Lt. Ben Elmore, Captain Capt. Derek Paul
Luis Requejo – Ralons Security (Z)
Chris Lancaster - resident – (Z)
Lat Farr – resident (Z)
Sylvia Hernandez – resident (Z)
Owen Howard – resident (Z)
Susan Abner – resident
Chuck Gilbert – resident
Chrissy Gilber – resident
Guy Fichter – resident
Traci Fichter – resident
Matt - resident
Liz - resident

PROCEEDINGS:

- Meeting called to order at 4:00 by Tim Abner, Chair

- Meeting held in person with ZOOM Hybrid Communication Media Technology (CMT)
- Date of meeting: September 2, 2025

Tim Abner, Chair welcomed all and noted the meeting was being held at the Hawks Cay Conference Center, room A, as well as via ZOOM. Jennie Nowack was welcomed as a new board member, the board congratulated Tim Abner as a reappointed board member.

Roll call: Not all board members are present. Quorum achieved. See listing on first page.

Item I. Motion to approve and amend agenda, noting that Item 5B Ralons Security will be moved to Item 7B as the Revised Agenda for September 2, 2025

Motion to approve by Tim Abner; second Jennie Nowack, none opposed.

MOTION CARRIED

Item II: Approval of the meeting minutes of July 1, 2025

Motion to approve by Tim Abner; second by Jon Porter, none opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Item III: Comments from the Public.

Tim Abner advised questions can be asked by the Public at any time during the meeting.

Item V. STANDING REPORTS

MCSO – Lt. Ben Elmore reported MCSO is continuing to get great data from the Duck Key Speed Radar signs, and they will continue to monitor the results and have patrols in Duck Key at appropriate times. They do notice a reduction in speed because of the MCSO patrols and will continue to use the data to set patrol times, there will be more patrols in September-October. The highest speed infractions are on Bimini, followed by West Seaview Drive and then East Seaview Drive, most of the highest speeds (28 mph) were recorded in the afternoons. There were 3 crime incidents, one Harassment/Domestic abuse, one stolen goods lost/taken and one Trespassing. There was no violent crimes or property damage. One of the trespassing case videos from Home Security were captured and aided MCSO with the cases.

Hawks Cay **Resort** –Reggie Cooper, Managing Director of Hawks Cay advised their Director, Facilities and Security Predrag Vaskrisich passed unexpectedly and Justin Harris will take over the position temporarily. He advised there is continuing dock work being done, the south area seawall is done and now they will proceed with the other areas, room renovations are in progress, 180 Villas are getting upgrades/refresh, the Coral Cay Kids area is getting a Water Slide and should be in by December, the Tennis Center is being renovated with courts being resurfaced. Hawks Cay was very busy during mini season, but without incidents, it's a slow period right now, they expect the resort business will pick up for the Thanksgiving time period.

FWC – Joshua Peters was absent.

VI. OLD BUSINESS/Technology Report

Technology Update –

1. Frank Jackson reported minor problems with some of the camera equipment on Truman bridge concerning date/time is continuing and he is having difficulty getting Barnes Security to help him with the issue and the reset of those (2) cameras, but all are operational. All Speed Radar signs are operational and working.
2. Galen Jones, Monroe County Attorney advised the board that the Insight LPR subscription agreement will be set on October 1, 2025. The contract has been finalized, and the monitoring equipment will be installed at Truman bridge and is coordinating with MCSO on placement of the camera.
3. Traffic Logix Radar Cloud Reporting subscription is expiring September 2025. Details of a discounted offer from Traffic Logix received for discounted rates for multiple-year subscriptions was provided by Tamara. The County does not generally approve of multiple-year subscriptions to maintain budget flexibility from year to year but it was necessary to advise the board of the offer.

Motion to approve renewal of the Traffic Logix Radar Cloud Reporting 3 cameras for a one-year subscription, September 2, 2025 to September 2, 2026. A Purchase Order will be obtained by Tamara from the County Purchasing Office to process the subscription as was done the previous year.

Motion made by Tim Abner; seconded by Laurie Oestriecher. There were no objections.

MOTION CARRIED

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Review of proposed hourly rate increase for Frank Jackson.

Motion to increase Frank Jackson's hourly to \$40.25.

Motion made by Jon Porter seconded by Ken Floyd. There were no objections. The change in salary will be effect with his September services invoices. Gaelan has advised that this will be signed off by the County Administrator under her authority and will not require BOCC approval as the basic contract provisions are not being changed.

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion on all age and functioning systems of cameras on the bridges on Duck Key. Motion to have Frank Jackson research cameras on all bridges and cost of replacing all cameras 5 years old or older.

Motion made by Ken Floyd; seconded by Laurie Oestreicher. There were no objections.

MOTION CARRIED

B. Update and discussion of Security Issues –

Luis Requejo reported the full-time guard continues with patrols and checks on houses where residents have put in requests for their homes to be watched while vacant for the summer. He was advised of the trespassing concerns of some residents around the 4 a.m. time frame after his guard is off duty, he alerted the guard of the areas/homes where there were trespassing concerns, the guard will monitor these homes. There were stops by the guard for people fishing from the bridges and speeding golf carts to stop these behaviors. Ralons Security is continuing to recruit to fill the part time vacancy for Duck Key patrols, they have received 5 applications, but the candidates did not have the valid credentials necessary to be hired, they will continue to advertise the opening. There was discussion on patrol issues:

Start & stop timing variations for patrols, continued staffing issues and if the pay scale is adequate, and recent events of trespassers recorded on private property during the day and at night.

Motion to authorize to a schedule change of Ralons Security guards to do random schedules of 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. and vary the route path. Board Chair Tim Abner to authorize schedule with Ralons Security.

Motion to approve by Tim Abner; seconded Jennie Nowack. There were no objections.

MOTION CARRIED

(Following week update: Luis advised Board Chair that he was able to hire a weekend patrol staff person who is now in training for state certification. She has previous security experience and will be on duty in a week.)

VIII. Public Comments None

Motion to adjourn made by Jon Porter: second by Ken Floyd, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

General information: Next DKSAB meeting will be November 4, 2025, 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