

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HOLIDAY ISLAND SUBURBAN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (HISID)
MONDAY, August 26th, 2024**

The Regular Meeting was held at the District Office and via YouTube. The meeting was called to order by **CHAIR STAMPS** at 9:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: **COMMISSIONER SARRATT, COMMISSIONER STAMPS, COMMISSIONER BROWN, COMMISSIONER RAHLF,** and **COMMISSIONER PINKLEY** present. **CHAIR STAMPS** declared a quorum.

APPROVE AGENDA: **COMMISSIONER BROWN** amended the agenda to add discussion on the Ballroom use by groups giving funds to HISID and the rental fees. **COMMISSIONER BROWN** would also like support from the BOC for the A&P, advertising and promotion commission for the November 5th vote. **COMMISSIONER RAHLF** moved to add the items to the agenda seconded by **COMMISSIONER SARRATT**. The amended agenda was approved unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES: **CHAIR STAMPS** presented the minutes for the 7-29-24 Regular Meeting. **COMMISSIONER SARRATT** moved to approve the minutes seconded by **COMMISSIONER RAHLF**. The minutes were approved unanimously.

REPORTS: District Manager Rich Figgins reported on Friday August 23rd there was a meeting with all the department heads. The UV grant paperwork has been completed. Allen Spradling with Communities Unlimited is working on the water rate study and it should be completed soon. The District is still receiving applications for a new Fire Chief so that has not been concluded yet. Rich contacted Amanda Hittle, Public Health Inspector, about the ballroom, her biggest concern is the walk-in cooler. The audit should be completed in the next few weeks and once it is received there will be a special meeting scheduled to review/approve.

ACTION ITEMS:

A) New Business

1.) **COMMISSIONER BROWN** discussed the ballroom use fees and read a page from the Regulations regarding Clubs and Organizations that donate directly to HISID. Karen Timm 9 Rancho Vista Lane read a statement on behalf of HIHA and HIFDA with concerns of the ballroom rental fees for groups and organizations. (see attached) **COMMISSIONER RAHLF** said that the issue has been addressed and the regulations are being worked on.

2.) **COMMISSIONER BROWN** added discussion requesting support from the BOC for the City's proposed A&P tax. **COMMISSIONER BROWN** moved that HISID Board of Commissioners support Holiday Island Short Term Rental Tax Committee in promoting the advertising and promotion commission initiative in the November 5th elections to pass a 3% A&P tax on short term rental businesses to be exclusively for advertisement and promotion for the City of Holiday Island. The motion was seconded by **COMMISSIONER PINKLEY**. Discussion was had. **CHAIR STAMPS** said that as a Board they do not need to be getting into politics; as for individuals, they can express their individual thoughts as much as they want in public, but as a board they should stay mute on the subject. **COMMISSIONER SARRATT** moved to table the discussion. Discussion was had, public comments were made. **COMMISSIONER PINKLEY** moved to support the City's proposed A&P Tax, seconded by **COMMISSIONER BROWN**. The motion passed unanimously.

3.) Resolution 2024 R-6 Designating and Authorizing the District Manager and the WWWW Superintendent to execute documents in connection with Funding Administered by The Arkansas Natural Resources Commission; **COMMISSIONER BROWN** moved to approve the resolution, seconded by **COMMISSIONER PINKLEY**. An explanation of the resolution was given by District Manager Rich Figgins. The motion to approve Resolution 2024 R-6 passed unanimously.

4.) Purchase of SCADA System; **COMMISSIONER BROWN** requested an explanation from District Manager Rich Figgins of the SCADA System. He explained that the SCADA System is for all the wells, and if there were an alarm to go off, it would get sent back to the office, which then sends out phone calls to all the Wastewater Department employees, that way they know something is wrong. The system the District currently has is an older system and needs to be updated, it will provide clearer maps and help the Water Department do their job at a more efficient rate. **COMMISSIONER SARRATT** stated that the SCADA System upgrade was included in the 2023 budget as a capital improvement. The price of the SCADA System was discussed. **COMMISSIONER BROWN** asked if the System is a single source vendor company. District Manager Rich Figgins explained the SCADA System is used worldwide. **COMMISSIONER RAHLF** asked if the SCADA System would help save time and labor. District Manager Rich Figgins explained if a well were to go down over the weekend, it would send an alarm to the Water/WWW employees' phone, and they could go directly to the well saving time. He explained that even a 15-minute delay could make the difference in the loss of a bearing or even a motor. The upgrade of the system is more preventive maintenance and is something that will always need to be done. **COMMISSIONER PINKLEY** motioned to approve the purchase of the SCADA System seconded by **COMMISSIONER SARRATT**. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: **COMMISSIONER BROWN** encouraged the public to attend more of the work sessions to hear discussion and provide their input.

Glenda George 68 Country Club Dr asked if the changing of the Regulations will be discussed at work sessions and then brought to a Regular Meeting to be voted on in public. **CHAIR STAMPS** addressed her question that yes that is the process that will be taken when changing Regulations.

COMMISSIONER AGENDA SCHEDULING:

Monday, September 16 th , 2024, Work Session	9:00 a.m.
Monday, September 23 rd , 2024, Regular Meeting	9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by **COMMISSIONER BROWN** seconded by **COMMISSIONER RAHLF**. The meeting was adjourned by **CHAIR STAMPS** at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Pinkley, Secretary, Holiday Island Board of Commissioners