

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES MARCH 8, 2023

The Highlands County Industrial Development Authority Board of Directors meeting was held in the Engineering Training Room at the County Annex Building, 501 S. Commerce Ave. on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 Chair, Ray Royce, presided over the meeting; a quorum was present.

## I. CALL TO ORDER – HIGHLANDS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IDA)

The March 8, 2023 Industrial Development Authority Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

## 3. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Name	Title	Organization	Present
Ray Royce	Chair	IDA/EDC Executive Committee	Yes
John Varady	Vice Chair	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Wade Taveniere	Secretary/Treasurer	IDA/EDC Executive Committee	No
Paul Koukos	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Thomas Leitzel	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
John Shoop	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Craig Johnson	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Jim Renfro	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Joe Gleason	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Jason Dunkel	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Will Lenihan	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Ann Martin	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Tommy Massey	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Chris Campbell	Commissioner, Liaison	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Garrett Anderson	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Jeff King	Exec. Manager of Business & Economic Development	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Sarah Beth Rogers	Economic Development Manager	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Leah Sauls	Dev. Services Manager	Highlands County BOCC	Yes

*Table 1: Meeting Attendance*

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**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda, which included the December 2022 meeting minutes, was presented for consideration. John Varady moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Craig Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Jason Dunkel, CEO of Adventhealth Sebring, Wauchula, Lake Placid, what introduced. He was approved by the BoCC to join the IDA/EDC Board.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Jeff King presented membership appointments to the board. There is one opening and one application with Drew Bishop being the applicant. Craig Johnson moved to approve Drew Bishop as the nominee; seconded by Dr. Thomas Leitzel. Motion was unanimously approved.
- B. Jeff King presented IDA December-February Financial reports for informational purposes; there were no major changes since the last update.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The March 8, 2023 Industrial Development Authority Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 7:38 a.m.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, June 6, 2022, at 7:30 a.m.  
South Florida State College  
Building F Boardroom  
600 W. College Dr.  
Avon Park, FL 33825

Minutes Submitted By: Sarah Beth Rogers, Economic Development Manager

Approval Date: draft