

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA

Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 7:30 a.m.

AdventHealth Sebring

4200 Sun N Lake Blvd

Sebring, FL 33872

Ray Royce, Chair, Presiding

1. CALL TO ORDER – INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

2. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. IDA September 2024 Meeting Minutes

5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Restructuring of the IDA/EDC Board

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Corporation Related Business

7. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting:

7:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, 2025

TBD

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY DRAFT MEETING
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 4, 2024**

The Highlands County Industrial Development Authority Board of Directors meeting was held at South Florida State College, Building F Boardroom, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, Florida 33825 on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, Chair, Ray Royce, presided over the meeting; a quorum was present.

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

The September 4, 2024, 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
Ben Wyatt	Director	IDA/EDC Executive Committee	Yes
Paul Koukos	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Fred Hawkins	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
John Shoop	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Craig Johnson	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Jim Renfro	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Joe Gleason	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	Yes
Jason Dunkel	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
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	No
Don Elwell	Commissioner, Liaison	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Garrett Anderson	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Drew Bishop	Director	IDA/EDC Board of Directors	No
Leah Sauls	Dev. Services Manager	Highlands County BOCC	No
Sarah Beth Murphy	Exec. Manager of Business & Economic Development	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Yarima Cuencas	Economic Development Manager	Highlands County BOCC	Yes
Kelsie Little	Economic Development Coordinator	Highlands County BOCC	Yes

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda, which included the June 2024 meeting minutes, was presented for consideration. It included revisions for removal and replacement of Wade Taveniere and Ben Wyatt.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Restructuring of the IDA/EDC Sarah Beth Murphy shared: The county is drafting an ordinance that will be consistent and applicable to all citizen committees by the end of October. We will then loop back around to deciding about the corporation. It is planned to have someone from Legal at the next meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Recommendations from the Board – present three references for a new accountant at the December board meeting for a vote.
- B. Board voted on extend the expiration terms for current members for nine months. The motion passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 7:53 a.m.
Advent Health Sebring 4200 Sun N Lake Blvd. Sebring, FL 33872

Minutes Submitted By: Yarima Cuencas, Economic Development
Manager

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AGENDA

Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 7:30 a.m.
AdventHealth Sebring
4200 Sun N Lake Blvd
Sebring, FL 33872

Ray Royce, Chair, Presiding

- 1. CALL TO ORDER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. EDC September 2024 Meeting Minutes
- 4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**
 - A. Quarterly Activity Report
- 5. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. None
- 6. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Introduction to AdventHealth
- 7. LOCAL TECHNOLOGY PLANNING TEAM**
 - A. Broadband Update
- 8. LIAISON REPORTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 9. ADJOURNMENT**

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TBD

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION/
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 4, 2024**

The Highlands County Economic Development Commission/ Economic Development Organization Board of Directors meeting was held at South Florida State College, Building F Boardroom, 600 W. College Drive, Avon Park, Florida 33825 on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, Chair, Ray Royce, presided over the meeting; a quorum was present.

I. CALL TO ORDER – HIGHLANDS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC)/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (EDO)

The September 4, 2024, Economic Development Commission/ Economic Development Organization’s Directors meeting was called to order at 7:53 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
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2. OLD BUSINESS

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3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Updates – SFSC is currently revamping courses and noted this academic year is the highest enrollment in school's history.

- b. HCA hired a new General Surgeon who will begin in October, and the Hospital is now fully staffed.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The September 4, 2024, Economic Development Commission for Highlands County (EDC) Economic Development Organization's (EDO) Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

Minutes Submitted By: Yarima Cuencas, Economic Development
Manager