



**AGENDA**

**STUART INDEPENDENT REVIEW BOARD  
FEBRUARY 28, 2024  
AT 11:00 AM  
COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
121 SW FLAGLER AVE.  
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**Chair - Anita Cocoves  
Vice Chair - Pearlie B. Clarke  
Board Member - Diane "Dee" Gusch  
Board Member - Helen McBride  
Board Member - Kristin Stanley**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Recording Secretary - Mary Kindel**

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), anyone who needs a special accommodation to attend this meeting should contact the City's ADA coordinator at 772-288-5306 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, excluding Saturday and Sunday.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceeding, and that for such purpose he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

**(RC)** next to an item denotes there is a City Code requirement for a Roll Call vote.  
**(QJ)** next to an item denotes that it is a quasi-judicial matter or public hearing.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

1. ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER OATHS
2. ANNUAL BOARD REORGANIZATION - SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3. APPROVAL OF 12/14/2022 SIRB MINUTES

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Non-Agenda Related) (3 Minutes Max.)**

**COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS (Non-Agenda Items)**

**ACTION ITEMS**

4. REVIEW OF CITIZEN COMPLAINT BY SUZIE HETHERINGTON AGAINST OFFICER HEITFELD
5. REVIEW OF CITIZEN COMPLAINT BY LAVERN MULLINGS AGAINST OFFICER LEE

**STAFF UPDATE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**WHAT IS CIVILITY?** Civility is caring about one's identity, needs and beliefs without degrading someone else's in the process. Civility is more than merely being polite. Civility requires staying "present" even with those persons with whom we have deep-rooted and perhaps strong disagreements. It is about constantly being open to hear, learn, teach and change. It seeks common ground as a beginning point for dialogue. It is patience, grace, and strength of character. Civility is practiced in our City Hall.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** If a member of the public wishes to comment upon ANY subject matter, including quasi-judicial matters, please submit a Request to Speak form. These forms are available in the back of the Commission Chambers, and should be given to the City Clerk prior to introduction of the item number you would like to address.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Those matters included under the Consent Calendar are self-explanatory, non-controversial, and are not expected to require review or discussion. All items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion on an item is desired by any City Commissioner that item may be removed by a City Commissioner from the Consent Calendar and considered separately. If an item is quasi-judicial it may be removed by a Commissioner or any member of the public from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

**QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS:** Some of the matters on the Agenda may be "quasi-judicial" in nature. City Commissioners will disclose all ex-parte communications, and may be subject to voir dire by any interested party regarding those communications. All witnesses testifying will be "sworn" prior to their testimony. However, the public is permitted to comment without being sworn. Unsworn testimony will be given appropriate weight and credibility by the City Commission.