

Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

January 30, 2023

PUBLIC MEETING at Broadmoor United Methodist Church – Adult Education Building

Marcelle Desoto, Chair, called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

I. ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following Commissioners present:

Marcelle DeSoto, David Broussard, Julie Brown White, Steven Graham, Gary Littlefield, and Benjamin Benton. Absent: Terry Hicks

II. Approval of Minutes from November 28, 2022 –Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by David Broussard, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from November 28, 2022.

III. Financial Report – The Financial Report and Proposed Budget for 2023 were presented for the board’s consideration. Linda Alwood pointed out several items. She said the Police Patrol Figure is budgeted at \$120,855 for 2023, but if the board agrees to increase the hourly rate from \$35 to \$40 per hour for the police officers, it would be \$138,120 for 2023. David Broussard made a motion to increase the Police Officers to \$40 per hour starting in February for a period of two years. Julie Brown White seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Under Improvements/Beautification & Decorations Chris Woolson asked the board for some funds to remove fading signs, litter, and improving street signage. David Broussard moved, seconded by Steven Graham and unanimously carried to increase the Improvements/Beautification budget category to \$3,200 for 2023 and remove the budget for Signs at Entrances of \$5,000. The board unanimously approved the revised budget and accepted the financial report year-end as presented.

III. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A) Crime Statistics - Ben Benton presented a report on Crime Statistics using information compiled by our police patrol. He said he talked with Derek and reviewed the statistics with him. He asked that the neighbors be reminded to lock their cars. Also, the police are running radar and patrolling speeders.

B) Poles for Cameras and Radar Signs – Robert Seidenglanz said he is waiting on the shipment of the poles and will check again this week.

C) Board Officers – Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by Julie Brown White and unanimously carried to elect Steven Graham to serve as Vice Chair of the Board starting in February, 2023.

D) Project NOLA: David Broussard reported he talked with the head of Project NOLA which is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization . He said the organization uses charitable donations and grant funds to loan cameras to associations and municipalities to help local law enforcement to make communities safer places to live and work. The cost for six cameras is approximately \$6,600 per year and if you add on the LPR at \$550 each, it would be \$9,900 per year. The cameras are compatible with RTCC. Once installed, RTCC would have full access 24 hours per day. asked if there was any liability for non-law enforcement monitoring cameras. David agreed to get additional information and try to get an answer to this question.

E) Entergy Meter Issue - Chris Woolson said he checked the meter that is causing the trouble and it was installed incorrectly. He will coordinate with Entergy to get it replaced. Chris Woolson also asked that residents report sink holes in our streets and streetlights that need attention.

IV. **Old Business:**

A) Linda Alwood advised the board that she has the revised RFP from our attorney Sherri Morris and if we decide to advertise and go this direction, it can be used.

V. Public Comments – Several residents attended the meeting and shared their thoughts with the Board.

VI. Adjourn: Upon motion by David Broussard, seconded by Gary Littlefield, and unanimously carried the meeting adjourned.

Julie Brown White, Secretary