Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

April 25, 2016 @ 5:30 pm

Broadmoor Methodist Church

Gary Littlefield called the meeting to order, and welcomed those present.

I. ROLL CALL

The following commissioners were present: Gary Littlefield, Marcelle Desoto, M. J. Chustz, Jr., Steven Graham and David Broussard. Absent: Julie Brown White and Michael Fagan

II. Approval of Minutes from February 1, 2016: – Steven Graham moved, seconded by M. J. Chustz and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

III. Treasurer’s Report – The commissioners reviewed the financial report showing year-to-date income and expenses. After review, M. J. Chustz, Jr. moved, seconded by Steven Graham and unanimously carried to accept the report as presented.

New Business:

A. Recognition of Joni M. Leggio – Gary Littlefield introduced Joni Leggio, who will be appointed to take the place of Mark McDuff on the Board. Mr. Littlefield read Ms. Leggio’s bio to the audience.

B. Proposal for poles from Robert Seidenglanz – Robert Seidenglanz made a proposal to install poles on the boulevard from Sharp to Airline to display the banners previously purchased. His cost for 10 poles, plus the labor to install is $9,998.09. Several commissioners felt we could have 5 poles at a cost of approximately $6,500.00. He is proposing a complete turnkey installation. Steve Graham said he would like to look at the spacing, as we might want to have 4 poles or 6 poles, depending on the locations. This item was tabled until the next meeting. We need to check to see if liability insurance is needed. Also, we will talk with Broadmoor Residents’ Association to see if they might fund some of the poles and do a cooperative endeavor agreement. It was noted, we should check to make sure maintenance and drainage on the boulevard is final, as we do not want to have to take the poles down. Steve Graham moved, seconded by Marcelle DeSoto, and unanimously carried to get with Sherwood Crime Prevention & Improvement District to discuss long term project on boulevard sewer work.

C. Police Patrol Statistics – Sgt. Jaime Strahan addressed the group. She has patrolled Broadmoor since 2005. She said traffic is a big issue in the subdivision. However, burglaries and thefts are way down. She said the police patrol have issued warnings for cars parked in yards. M. J. Chustz advised the board that between January and March in 2014-2016, the residential burglaries have dropped from 9 in 2014, 4 in 2015, and 2 in 2016. Vehicle
burglaries for this time were 4 in 2014, 5 in 2015, and 0 in 2016. Thefts have gone from 7 in 2014, 4 in 2015, and 3 in 2016. Mr. Chustz said he has added three block captains in March and lost one. He now has sixty-three block captains. The commissioners were asked if the statistics were for private police patrol only. Mr. Chustz will check to see, but he was told it included both.

OLD BUSINESS

A. House Bill 85 Update – Linda Alwood gave the commissioners an update on the progress of House Bill 85, and explained that the bill needs to be amended to specify whether an election or a petition will be used to determine if North Broadmoor residents vote to be included in the district. After discussion, Steven Graham moved, seconded by M. J. Chustz and unanimously carried to amend the bill to require an election.

B. Storage Unit – Marcelle DeSoto moved, seconded by David Broussard and unanimously carried to authorize Chairman Gary Littlefield to sign a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Broadmoor Residents’ Association, Inc. to share the cost of a storage unit for $910 per year, with 60 percent being paid by Broadmoor Residents’ Association Inc. and 40 percent paid by Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District.

OPEN FORUM

Kirt & Vivian Johnson, who are residents on Frances Harding Drive, addressed the board. They explained that over 30 years, accidents have occurred in the 90 degree curve in front of their home. They worked with the City/Parish to add speed signs, and striping with reflectors. They asked the board to consider running more speed traps in the area, and police enforcement. It was suggested we have consistent unexpected traffic patrols.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Steve Graham and unanimously carried the meeting adjourned.

Julie Brown White, Secretary