

Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

July 13, 2020, 5:30 pm

Via Zoom Technology

Chair Marcelle Desoto called the meeting to order.

I. ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following Commissioners present:

Marcelle Desoto, David Broussard, Julie Brown White (arrived late), Steve Graham, Terry Hicks, and Gary Littlefield. Absent: Joni Leggio

II. Approval of Minutes from June 8, 2020 – Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by David Broussard, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from June 8, 2020.

III. Financial Report – The Financial Report was reviewed by the Commissioners. Terry Hicks moved, seconded by Steve Graham, and unanimously carried to accept the financial report as presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Private Police Patrol Statistics: Terry Hicks advised the board that we have been able to obtain crime statistics through May of this year. He reported we are averaging 45-50 911 calls per month; 40 false alarms; 24-28 disturbances; and 30-40 request for public assistance. He said suspicious activity has gone down from 35 in January to 12 in May of this year. He reported a few bikes that were stolen when left in someone's front yard and one car theft of an unlocked car. Julie Brown White joined the meeting at this time. David Broussard asked if we had enough statistic to see if the COVID 19 crisis has had an effect. Terry Hicks advised that from March until May of this year during the pandemic it does not show a spike in crime. David Broussard asked if he could try to get the statistics as quickly as possible so that we can react to any change quickly and Terry Hicks agreed.
- B) Update on Compilation Report with CPA – Linda Alwood advised the Commissioners that the CPA firm preparing our Compilation Report asked for an extension of time to complete the report and the request was granted by the Legislative Auditor.
- C) Resolution to be Approved for the Parcel Fee Election – Linda Alwood presented a copy of a proposed resolution that follows the recommendations of the committee formed to study and

make a recommendation as to the board's action. Linda Alwood read the following portion of the resolution into the minutes of the meeting:

"Shall Broadmoor Crime Prevention and Improvement District ("District"), be authorized to renew the annual parcel fee of \$100 on each improved and unimproved parcel within the District, beginning in 2023 and ending in 2032, and shall the District's Board be authorized to increase the parcel fee annually by up to 10% to a maximum parcel fee of \$150, as provided in La. R.S. 33:9097.8 with the proceeds of the parcel fee to be used to aid in crime prevention and to add to the security of District residents by providing for an increase in the presence of law enforcement personnel in the District, and to serve the needs of the District's residents by funding beautification and improvements for the overall betterment of the District (an estimated \$229,600 is reasonably expected to be collected from the initial collection)?"

Julie Brown White moved, seconded by David Broussard, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendations of the subcommittee as read into the record by Linda Alwood and made a part of Resolution 2020-001.

Gary Littlefield thanked Linda Alwood and our attorney Sheri Morris for putting this together for the committee's consideration. He said he feels we need to develop a message we communicate to the residents to highlight our victories and accomplishments since the Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District was created. It would include not only our crime prevention statistics, but also other improvements made to the subdivision like banners, entrance signs, and landscaping. He said he and Marcelle DeSoto had started a draft and he plans to distribute this to all board members for their input. Linda Alwood advised the board that we could put this on the agenda of our next regularly scheduled board meeting on August 31, 2020, and the board agreed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A)** Security Camera Committee Update: Gary Littlefield reports the committee met and agreed to recommend we purchase 12 cameras in concert with the Real Time Crime Center for maximum effectiveness in our subdivision. He said he met with Robert Seidenglanz about obtaining permits for the locations recommended. Seidenglanz said he has a meeting set with the city in two weeks and promised to give us a site survey at that time. The camera specifications are being obtained from the Real Time Center.

In addition to the cameras, the committee recommended we purchase two Radar Speed Signs at a cost of approximately \$7,000. Gary Littlefield, David Broussard, and Steve Graham agreed to meet and discuss the locations. Currently, they are considering Cora, Molleylea and Goodwood.

- IV. OPEN FORUM: No comments were made.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

Julie Brown White, Secretary