Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

October 26, 2015 @ 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, Julie Brown White, M. J. Chustz, Jr., Steven Graham, Greg Scott and Marcelle DeSoto. Absent: Michael Fagan

Also Present: David Broussard

II. Approval of Minutes from July 27, 2015: – Steve Graham moved, seconded by Julie Brown White and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

III. Treasurer's Report – The Board reviewed the year-to-date financial report and the proposed budget for 2016. It was agreed, we will eliminate the cost for the cell phone used by the police, as it has not worked well. Also, the Police Patrol total will be reduced by $15,000, which will put the figure back at the total from last year. The Beautification & Decorations will be increased to $15,000, an increase of $10,000, to purchase banners for the fall and spring. $5,000 will be added to the budget to pay for the work needed to get the North Broadmoor legislation and ballot completed. Greg Scott moved, seconded by Marcelle Desoto and unanimously carried to accept the financial report and proposed budget as amended.

New Business:

A. 2016 Landscaping Contract – Review Bids & Vote – The commissioners reviewed bids received from Odenwald Lawn & Landscape for $6,925.00 and from Grounds Pro, LLC for $9,780.00. Steve Graham moved, seconded by Greg Scott and unanimously carried to accept the lower bid from Odenwald Lawn & Landscape.
B. Boulevard Banners - The board reviewed a proposal from Mosca Design for banners and brackets. It was agreed that since the quote from Mosca Design is close to $10,000, we should wait to get three quotes and discuss this at the January meeting. We will request quotes from Vivid Ink, and the company who does banners for Woman's Hospital and Bon Carre' as well.
C. North Broadmoor Legislative Status – Plans are being made to advertise the local bill in December to add North Broadmoor to the District. If the bill passes the legislature, the election would be on the ballot in the fall of 2016.

D. Election of Treasurer – Marcelle DeSoto moved, seconded by Steve Graham to elect Michael Fagan to serve as Treasurer, and Steve Graham as Vice Chairman of the District. There was no objection, and the motion passed.

E. Meeting Dates for 2016 – M. J. Chustz moved, seconded by Marcelle DeSoto and unanimously carried to set the meeting dates as January 18, April 25, July 25 and October 24 of 2016.

Old Business

A. Speed Display Monitors - After review, M. J. Chustz recommended we table the decision to purchase speed display monitors at this time. The board agreed.

IV. Open Forum - David Broussard was introduced as the new Commissioner selected to replace Greg Scott as of January 1, 2016. Greg Scott was thanked for his service to the board.

Gray Littlefield informed the board that we set up check points for speeding twice in May and once in October. We had 195 citations written in May and 59 in October. Residents attending the meeting asked that they be set up a check point at Browning and Barbara after school. The board unanimously agreed to increase the police patrol during the holidays.

Gary Littlefield asked that the January meeting be moved to January 11th instead of the 18th. Julie White moved, seconded by M. J. Chustz and unanimously carried to approve the change.

It was requested that we move $25,000 to the Balance Sheet showing that we are maintaining funds in reserve to handle future legal actions.

The residents asked that we take additional action to get the police patrol to ticket people parking in their yards. Gary Littlefield said he met with Corporal Evans and they are making rounds, using the list prepared by the residents.

The Homeowners Association has developed letters to be mailed to residents concerning parking, tall grass and blight. They have mailed 10 letters so far, and they expect the police patrol to take over from there. They also have a problem with people parking on the neutral ground near Broadmoor High School. Gary Littlefield said the key is communication. He will work with the police patrol and the homeowners association to try to get this resolved.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Steven Graham, seconded by M. J. Chustz and unanimously carried the meeting adjourned.

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Julie Brown White, Secretary