Broadmoor Crime Prevention & Improvement District

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

July 31, 2017, 6:00 pm

Broadmoor Methodist Church

Chair Marcelle DeSoto called the meeting to order.

I. ROLL CALL

The following commissioners were present: Marcelle DeSoto, David Broussard, Joni Leggio, Steven Graham, J. Clifford Grout, and Gary Littleford. Absent: Julie Brown White

II. Approval of Minutes from May 8, 2017 – Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by David Broussard and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from May 8, 2017.

III. Financial Report by Treasurer Joni Leggio – The board discussed the need to increase the police patrol in the neighborhood. Some areas of the budget can be adjusted to make room for these additional funds. Linda Alwood advised the board that we could reduce the following areas: D & O Insurance will not come due until 2018, saving $1,000; Neighborhood Watch will not need their $1,500; and we budgeted $10,000 for signs at the entrances, and only $1,710 will be spent this year. Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by Jodi Leggio and unanimously carried to increase the budget for police patrols by up to $9,000 by reducing the funds from these identified categories. The funds are to be used to provide our private police patrol in highly visible areas, traffic patrol, stop signs, etc. Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by Cliff Grout and unanimously carried to accept the financial report as presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Private Police Patrol Statistics: Cliff Grout presented a report showing we have had improvement in all areas except vehicle burglary. In March of this year we had 10 vehicle burglaries, but all the vehicles were unlocked.

B) Review Possible ACH Deposits for Police Officers - Linda Alwood presented a proposal from Regions Bank to begin using ACH deposits for our police officers. She indicated the cost to the $50 per month, for a maximum of 150 deposits. Gary Littlefield moved, seconded by Cliff Grout and unanimously carried to approve the ACH proposal and payment of $50 per month.

C) Proposal to add "cuff" at bottom of banner poles – Robert Seidenglanz proposed that we add a cuff at the bottom of each banner pole at a cost of up to $1,200. David Broussard moved, seconded by Steven Graham and unanimously carried to approve the purchase for up to $1,200.

D) Renewal of General Liability Insurance Police – Jodi Leggio moved, seconded by Steven Graham and unanimously carried to approve renewing our General Liability Insurance Policy with Blumberg and Associates.

E) Possible Increase in fee for residents – Linda Alwood advised the board that in accordance with the statute creating our district, we can increase our annual fee once after 2017 not to be more than $200. The board discussed this and agreed that the only additional large purchase the district will

have is the purchase of security cameras. The board agreed they need to discuss this further and solicit feedback from the community. It was agreed, we should get the information on the other 25 crime prevention districts in the parish to compare our fee against others.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Special Committee to Study Entrance Cameras – Gary Littlefield reported we are gathering information to develop an RFP for the cameras. We need to look at several factors, i.e. camera vs. license reader; who will monitor the footage; etc.
B) Gary Littlefield advised the board that there has been some discussion as to whether the BCPID can handle repair of dilapidated property and lawn care. He spoke with the parish attorney, and the attorney said it would be impossible, as we cannot direct people working on the city's time.

IV. Open Forum – The BRA Communications Committee will meet this Friday at Frank's.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

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Julie Brown White, Secretary