

FAIRWOOD CRIME PREVENTION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Fairwood Branch Library

12910 Old Hammond Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

The Fairwood Crime Prevention and Improvement District (“District”) held a meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Scott Guirintano at 6:30 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present:

Patrick (Pat) Cormier

Lloyd Gavion

Scott Giurintano

Melanie Sims

The following Commissioner was absent:

Joanne Cowgill

Five members of the public were in attendance.

Announcement

Scott Giurintano announced that Joanne Cowgill said she would be resigning at the end of the year. Scott Giurintano asked if she could stay on the Board for another year.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Scott Giurintano and seconded by Lloyd Gavion to accept the minutes from the July 20, 2023, meeting with noted corrections.

The motion passed unanimously.

Treasury Report

Expenditures since the July meeting totaled \$8,637.60. This included legal services, lawn care and private security patrol. There was no income. The current balance is \$14,808.16.

A motion was made by Melanie Sims and seconded by Pat Cormier to move \$27.20 from City Permits to Flock Security Cameras to cover the taxes on the cameras.

The motion passed unanimously.

The District received two electronic deposits that totaled \$192.00. It’s unclear what the deposit is for, and the bank is currently researching the deposit. This amount has not been added to the balance until more information is received from the bank.

A motion was made by Scott Giurintano and seconded by Pat Cormier to approve the report.

The motion passed unanimously.

A member of the public asked about dues. Scott Giurintano explained that money is collected for the District through property taxes.

New mailboxes are needed in Country Ridge. The mailboxes are community mailboxes, and this is a project that can be undertaken by the Country Ridge Homeowners Association.

In 2025, Country Ridge Homeowners Association will need to appoint a new representative to the Fairwood CPID Board.

Flock Security Cameras – July 2023

During July 2023, there were 185,888 license plates read.

There were 91 users of the system – 24 by the EBR Sheriff's Office and 67 by the Baton Rouge Police Department.

Flock Security Cameras – August 2023

During August 2023, there were 188,917 license plates read.

There were 94 users of the system – 26 by the EBR Sheriff's Office and 68 by the Baton Rouge Police Department.

Security Patrols – July 2023

In July 2023, there were 24 hours of security patrols over eight days, with times ranging from 11:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. During this time period, citations were written for 14 stop sign violations and 2 parking violations.

Security Patrols – August 2023

In August 2023, there were 24 hours of security patrols over seven days, with times ranging from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. During this time period, citations were written for 9 stop sign violations and 3 parking violations.

Security Incidents in the District – July 2023

In July 2023, there were a total of 17 calls for assistance. This included one 911 hang up, two 21C Fall P1, two alarm, one domestic disturbance, two follow-up/investigation, one illegal carry of weapons, one medical request(assist), one noise complaint, one non-crime incident, three suspicious incident/person/vehicle, one traffic incident/conditions, and one warrant.

Security Incidents in the District– August 2023

In August 2023, there were a total of 10 calls for assistance. This included four 911 hang up, one 24A traumatic injury P3, two alarm, one improper telephone communication, one non-crime incident, and one suspicious incident/person/vehicle.

Scott Giurintano asked if we could get a count on the number of warnings for parking violations.

A member of the public asked how our crime statistics compare to other areas. It's hard to make a comparison with other nearby districts because our District is smaller. Crime is low in our District. The member of the also remarked that she feels safe in the area.

Pat Cormier's term will be ending on the Board. He would need to be reappointed and sworn in in January 2024.

The next meeting for the District will be held on November 16, 2023.

A motion was made at 7:10 p.m. by Scott Giurintano and seconded by Lloyd Gavion to go into Executive Session to conduct sexual harassment training.

The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.