

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, November 21, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Scott Giurintano at 6:30 P.M.

The following Commissioners were present:

Patrick (Pat) Cormier

Scott Giurintano

Melanie Sims

Lloyd Gavion

Four members of the public were in attendance.

Announcement of Resignation

The District is in receipt of Thomas Shuff's resignation.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Pat Cormier to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2024 meeting. This was seconded by Melanie Sims and passed unanimously.

Treasury Report

The District received \$174.81 in parcel fees from the EBR Sheriff's Office during July and August.

Expenditures since the July meeting totaled \$3,050.00. This includes payments for security patrols, and lawn service. The current balance is \$4,221.09. Liabilities to the Assessor's Office, P.O. Box fees, and Lawn Service remain outstanding for the year.

It was motioned by Melanie Sims to move \$2 from the Office Supply Budget to the Assessor's Fee Category of the budget and seconded by Pat Cormier. The motion passed unanimously.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

2025 Meeting Dates

2025 Meetings Dates will be:

January 16th

March 20th

May 15th

July 17th

September 18th

November 20th

Approval for these dates was motioned by Scott Giurintano and Seconded by Melanie Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

2025 Budget

Melanie Sims presented the proposed budget for 2025, in which parcel fees (revenue) will be increasing by 10% and liability insurance was also increased by 10%. Legal services will remain at \$200 for the 2025 budget. The Commission changed the assessor's fee category to \$688. Lawn Services will remain \$825 per month. This first proposed budget (with 24 hours of monthly security patrols) would have a deficit of \$1,280. In order to remedy this, the board and public discussed cuts to patrols or changes to the camera installation schedule.

Melanie Sims made a motion to accept a proposal in which the security patrols were set to 20 hours per month. This was seconded by Lloyd Gavion and passed unanimously.

With security patrols now cut to 20 hours per month, the 2025 budget is now in balance with a total \$405.80 predicted to be remaining at the end of the year.

Flock Security Cameras – September 2024

During September 2024, there were 166,725 license plates read. 8 of the plates read were on the "hot list."

Flock Security Cameras – October 2024

During October 2024, there were 178,217 license plates read. South Flannery at Old Hammond was the highest volume day (3,428 vehicles) and Pecan Ridge saw a day with 24 vehicles. 15 of the plates read were on the "hot list."

Security Patrols – September 2024

In September 2024, there were security patrols every 7.5 days, with times ranging from 12:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. During this time period, the officer issued 7 stop sign citations, 1 parking violation, and 1 red light citation. The officer worked 20 hours.

Security Patrols – October 2024

In October 2024, there were patrols every 6.2 days, with times ranging from 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. During this time, citations were written for 6 stop sign violations. The officer worked 20 hours.

Security Incidents in the District – September 2024

In September, there was one suspicious incident reported, one traffic assistance call, one public service call, one damaged property incident, one motor vehicle theft, one theft under \$1,000/ shoplifting, and two permit calls. Additionally, 40 calls were placed to 311.

Security Incidents in the District – October 2024

In October, there were two suspicious incidents, an illegal use of weapon reported, two thefts/ shoplifting incidents, and three permit calls. There were 27 calls placed to 311.

Public Comments

Public comments centered around ensuring new residents to the area were aware of activities being conducted by the District and the H.O.A.'s.

Executive Session & Adjournment

A motion was made by Scott Giurintano and seconded by Lloyd Gavion to move into executive session. The motion passed unanimously at 7:11 P.M. The Commissioners then went into an executive session to take annual ethics training and adjourned at 8:30 PM.