

FAIRWOOD CRIME PREVENTION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
Fairwood Branch Library
12910 Old Hammond Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Meeting Minutes

The Fairwood Crime Prevention and Improvement District (“District”) held a meeting at Fairwood Branch Library, Thursday, August 19, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Scott Giurintano at 6:35 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present:

Patrick “Pat” Cormier
Lloyd Gavion
Scott Giurintano
Melanie Sims

The following Commissioner was absent:

Joanne Cowgill

Three members of the public were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Pat Cormier and seconded by Lloyd Gavion to accept minutes from the July 15, 2021 meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

Treasury Report

A total \$1,804.00 was spent in expenditures for the month. This included payments for the lawn service (\$675.00), insurance (\$779.00) and security patrol (\$350.00). The current balance is \$14,879.41.

A motion was made by Pat Cormier and seconded by Lloyd Gavion to accept the treasurer’s report presented by Melanie Sims.

The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

D & O Liability Insurance

Insurance has been secured for the Board through Insurance Associates of Baton Rouge. The policy is with Navigators Insurance Company, and cost for the policy was \$779.00.

Flock Security Cameras

For the past 30 days approximately 140,000 license plates were read with the highest daily on August 13 with 5, 167.

Camera usage is by both the Baton Rouge Police (BRPD) and the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office (EBRPSO). In the last 30 days, each has used the cameras approximately 100 times with 52% by the EBRPSO and 48% by the BRPD.

Pat wasn't able to get a report on whether or not any arrests were made as a direct result of information from the cameras.

Security Patrols

Lt. Cody Grace has been hired to patrol the district. He has a K-9 dog. Lt. Grace issued tickets for 9 stop sign violations and 4 parking violations in July. He has issued 14 stop sign violations for the six days that he has worked in August.

Lt. Grace is working two-hour shifts five days of the week. The days and times vary for each shift.

Neighborhood Watch Committee

Thomas Shuff reported that he had registered with the National Neighborhood Watch Program to include all three subdivisions.

An email account has been created for residents to send messages regarding incidents in the subdivisions. The email address is FCPIDWATCH@gmail.com.

Shuff reported that block captains are needed. He will send a message out on Nextdoor asking for volunteers. He would like to have quarterly safety meeting on different topics such as hurricane preparedness, holiday safety tips, and firearm safety. He would also like to increase signage.

Security Incidents in the District

Pat Cormier reported that there were 11 security incidents: 4 alarms, 1 domestic, 1 improper phone, 1 patrol, 2 suspicious people, and 2 non-crime incidents.

Adjournment

There being no further business Lloyd Gavion motioned and seconded by Pat Cormier to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Melanie Sims
Treasurer