

**Garden District Security District  
Public Hearing and Board of Commissioners Meeting  
December 13, 2022**

The regular meeting and public hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Garden District Security District convened on December 13, 2022 at 5:15 p.m., 1332 Washington Avenue. Ms. Landrieu was present as Executive Director, confirmed the posting of the notice and called the roll. Commissioners present included Baudouin, Charpentier, Legardeur, Schmidt, Shugar, Hardin, Holton, Wolf, Wood and Davis forming a quorum. Commissioner LeGardeur, President, welcomed Mr. Jim Wood and Mr. Richard Baudouin as new Commissioners. He called for the public hearing to open and called the meeting to order. No guests were in attendance. The public hearing part of the meeting closed after an appropriate length of time.

**Minutes**

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved upon a motion by Mrs. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Charpentier.

**Financial Report**

Mr. Davis, as treasurer, reviewed the financial reports of 11/30/22 that were distributed to all. He reported that the GDSD continued to be in good financial condition and was working within the budget approved. There was no discussion.

**Camera Program**

Mr. Legardeur noted that GDSD had engaged Mr. Jacob Gardner to assist in writing the agreement with the homeowners for the camera program and that he began drafting such an agreement to be used once the program was in place. Mr. Gardner may also assist in drafting any board policy needed with regard to this camera program.

Mr. Legardeur noted that the initial camera program that GDSD had been testing did not work as promoted, thus other options were being sought. Ms. Landrieu asked if anyone wanted to serve on the committee to search for a new system. Mrs. Schmidt, Mr. Shugar, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Wood would serve with Ms. Landrieu and Mr. Legardeur.

**Patrol Report**

Mr. LeGardeur gave a brief report on patrol operations noting very few complaints received.

He noted that he and Ms. Landrieu discussed the possibility of using the live monitoring of the cameras, once in place to allow the dispatcher to call out incidents or suspects to the officers in real time. A budget for this would be needed, but it may be possible to trade off an officer on duty in the streets for an officer watching many cameras in the area. He noted that it was something to think about down the line.

Mr. Legardeur noted that Pinnacle had asked for a rate increase to cover the increase in fuel and auto costs as well as to give the officers a raise. Specifics on the proposed rate increase was included in the Commissioner's meeting packets. The current rate is \$705,781 and the proposed rate is 767,660. After some discussion, the new rate was considered and upon a motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt, the increase was approved.

Finally, Mr. Hardin noted that the Garden District Association would issue holiday bonuses to all GDSD officers as they have done for the past many years.

**Adjournment**

There was no further business. Upon a motion, duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.