

**Garden District Security District
Public Hearing and Board of Commissioners Meeting
January 24, 2024**

The regular meeting, public hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Garden District Security District convened on January 24, 2024 at 6pm at Trinity Episcopal School Library. Ms. Landrieu was present as Executive Director, confirmed the posting of the notice and called the roll. Commissioners present included Davis, LeGardeur, Makk, Sanders, Schmidt, Shugar, Wolf and Wood, constituting a quorum. Commissioner LeGardeur, President, called for the public hearing to open and called the meeting to order. David Myers, Marcel Madere and Mike Lentz of Pinnacle/ GDSB patrol were in attendance as well as one neighbor.

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Mrs. Schmidt to waive the reading and accept the minutes from the November 15, 2023, duly seconded by Mrs. Sanders, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Patrol Report

Mr. Myers of Pinnacle gave a brief report, noting that the reporting system being used was problematic thus additional training of the officers was needed. It was also suggested that the “self initiation “ reports be removed from the response time calculations in order to provide a more accurate accountability. Ms. Makk requested a report each time showing trends and comparisons. Several others noted that the existing report did not cover several incidents in the neighborhood. Mr. Myers agreed to handle all concerns and improve the system accordingly.

Financial Report

Mr. Davis noted that the financial reports in the distributed packets included December 31,2023 Balance Sheet, P&L v Budget, and P&L v Previous Year reports. Mr. Davis reminded all that the tax bills from the city had been sent out very late, thus income for the year, would be received later than previous years.

Neighborhood Camera Program

Mr. LeGardeur reported that the camera program needed to take another direction and noted that he and Ms. Landrieu had reached out to Wes Ganucheau who assisted on the previous program to as if he might be interested in handling the camera program as a contractor. An estimated cost for this service would be \$100,000/ year to WesRay, his company, to market, install and monitor the neighborhood system. Mrs. Schmidt made a motion to pursue this contract with details to be worked through. Seconded by Mr. Shugar, the motion passed by majority vote. Mr. Davis was the lone dissenter.

Security Advisory Committee

Mr. Wolf proposed to remove the extra “hot spot” shift from the patrol schedule since crime had decreased. Upon such a motion, duly seconded, and approved by all, Mr. Myers was directed to remove this shift as soon as possible from the schedule.

Outreach Committee

Mrs. Schmidt reported that there was no new information and that the committee members would be working to interest homeowners and businesses in the camera program once it was up and running.

Long Term Planning Committee

Mr. Woods noted no new information.

Adjournment

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