

LAKESHORE CRIME PREVENTION DISTRICT

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners On November 1, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lakeshore Crime Prevention District was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at Mt. Carmel Academy, 7027 Milne Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70124. All participants attended in person.

Commissioners Present: Byron Casey, Ken Najder, Bonnie Nelson, Ray Landeche, Bob Annoni, and James Grevemberg.

Commissioners Absent: Dieter Hugel, Susan Simon, and Jacque Touzet.

Also present for a portion of the meeting (see below) Pinnacle Security personnel, Corey Lewis.

Recording Secretary: James T. Grevemberg

1) **Call to order**

Byron Casey called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Mr. Casey confirmed the attendance of all commissioners listed above and that a quorum existed. Mr. Casey further confirmed that the public had been notified of the meeting in accordance with Louisiana's Open Meeting Laws.

2) **Minutes From Prior Meeting and Amendments to Budget:**

A motion was made by Byron Casey to waive the reading and accept the minutes for the meeting of September 13, 2023. Bob Annoni seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

3) **Report Of Pinnacle Security**

Corey Lewis of Pinnacle Security reviewed the incident reports from September and October 2023. Mr. Lewis reported that in September and October 2023, there had been ten suspicious person calls. Pinnacle performed 86 escorts and 28 residence checks (21 initiated by the residents). Mr. Lewis noted that our neighborhood is one of the safest neighborhoods in the city. It is somewhat protected by the Lakeview neighborhood to our south. Byron Casey asked Mr. Lewis if it would be possible to share/split a security vehicle with Lake Terrace, another neighborhood that employs Pinnacle Security. Mr. Lewis advised that Pinnacle Security handles a similar arrangement in the Garden District. He will investigate the possibility of sharing a vehicle with Lake Terrace.

4) **Financial Report**

Byron Casey provided copies of the financial report prepared by Board Member Susan Simon. He noted that the Lakeshore Crime Prevention District maintains bank accounts at two local institutions and that money was transferred for higher interest rate returns into Certificates of Deposit. This was to take advantage of the high yielding rates for the CDs.

5) **Board Members Business Reports & Feedback**

Ken Najder commented on Legislative Act No. 393 regarding permitting disabled residents to participate in the District's meetings via electronic means. A discussion was had on various electronic means and procedures available, in addition to how the District would notify the public of the procedures adopted to permit disabled residents to participate electronically. After lengthy discussion, a motion was made to include information on the District's website advising residents who wish to participate electronically to provide a phone number and at the time of a meeting they will be contacted by the District at the phone number provided. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Byron Casey advised that the District's current website should be updated with correct information and minutes of meetings. Mr. Casey will contact the person handling the website and have him bring it up to date.

6) **Adjournment:**

After confirming that there was no additional business, Byron Casey moved, and James Grevemberg seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 P.M. The next meeting is to be held on January 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

James T. Grevemberg, Recording Secretary