May 11, 2020

SSBD Minutes

6:30- via zoom

Present:

Luke Reynolds, Chairman

Terry Hoffman, Commissioner

Bill Clendenin, Commissioner

Molly Dougherty, Commissioner

Jim Rick, Commissioner

Stephanie McArthur, Communications

Sgt. Kitchell, TCF

Approval of February minutes- Motion made by Commissioner Hoffman, seconded by Chairman Reynolds. Secretary called each present commissioner by name for vote:

Commissioner Hoffman- yes

Chairman Reynolds- yes

Commissioner Rick- yes

Commissioner Clendenin- abstain

Commissioner Dougherty- yes

February minutes are approved.

**Sgt. Kitchell TCF Report**

Assaults are up around the city.

Robberies- one in March and one in April. In March on south 13th carjacking where suspects were 10, 12 and 14 year olds. 10-year old can’t be held but other two were because they had quite a history. 2207 S. 13th couple broke up and ex came back and robbed the other.

Uber eats driver was held up and car stolen but they could recover it because it had a tracker. Found it within an hour and arrested two men.

Larcenies are down. Theft overall is up but when you look at each, several involve golf carts and truck rentals not being returned.

Most assaults going on are domestic disputes- not something we can necessarily prevent.

Most neighborhoods are in the same situation around the city with the exception of north city which has more violence.

BP on Russell turning into a stopping point for people just cruising the area they stop at the BP and just hang out on the hood of their cars like people used to do around the Rally’s/White Castle on Broadway that closed. TCF will include that in their notes to drive by.

A homeless shelter is opening around Arsenal and Broadway near AB. Expected to be open mid-summer. There are tenants/a homeless camp set up at the exit off of 44W/55S onto Gravois/12th. Police are aware and afternoon/night shifts they will make contact. They give 3 notices, 15 minutes apart then the police will take them down, inventory the stuff and store it for 30 days.

SBD car is in for service, a headlight is out and tire needs patched. The Ford Explorer will be around until it’s back (day or two).

**New Business**

Business Report

Review of budget and actual expenditures to date. Net under 121k this year, with ~605k in bank now.

Discussion: add patrols?

Commissioner Hoffman- no issue, amp up some patrol as we have the $ to do so.

Chairman Reynolds- add Saturday day patrol especially into the summer with the farmers market and influx of people.

We can ramp up patrols and still stay within budget for this year so we agree to Saturday day patrol. We may be able to request a bike (or even foot) patrol on Friday and Saturday even too. Captain Cousins has been doing foot patrols on Friday mornings.

Chairman Reynolds will discuss options with TCF.

Need for reserves? Well, we collect tax money and should be spending it for our purpose but there is some need for reserves (Bill) because (jump ahead) of our convo about working with the CID or other organizations to co-fund projects.

**Old Business**

Cameras:

9th and Emmet location is ready to go but has been on hold because of Covid. Need to schedule electrician and Charter to come out. Need to jump on a call with Jack Coatar about capital funds available to spend on cameras/LPRs in the area.

We were going to wire out system into RTCC by fiber but city said no because security concerns with their closed network.

Discussed need for RFP on our camera project but we’ve done one previously and will issue a new one if the scope of the project changes and we need to potentially switch contractors.

Commissioner Clendenin is going to Will Electronics next week and will collect computers and take them.

New Business CID is getting some money we may want to work with them to see if there is interest in collaborating/supplementing/co-fund/participate in some of their ideas (traffic issues that are under their mission) as there may be some parallel efforts between the two. CID has a way to go before they are moving forward with anything but something to think about. Traffic issues concern our group/our mission too so we can take on some of these issues.

Stephanie/Communications update:

Working with city hall has been a little better she’s been able to make the changes to our meeting notices necessary. She will post something on the website that we are still working/patrols are still out.

Post budget on website? The budget tab shows an old budget. Commissioner Hoffman will send a better version of the 2019 and 2020 budget and will circulate for approval first.

Discussed budget year issues, annual reports, etc. Commissioner Hoffman spoke with accounting firm re performing an audit. He will provide them the information they need to give us information on completing an audit.

Banking at Together Credit Union: Commissioner Hoffman indicated that Michael Campbell was still listed as a signatory on the SSBD account.  Commissioner Hoffman had M.Campbell removed from the account (by presenting previous meeting minutes that announced his resignation).  The Board acknowledged that Chairman Reynolds should be added as a signatory to the Together Credit Union bank accounts. Commissioner Hoffman and Chairman Reynolds to complete necessary paperwork to do this.

Open board seat for business renter. Commissioner Dougherty is no longer a renter and we need to figure out what we need to do to fill seat and whether term can be completed despite change in property rental/ownership status. Website says we have an open seat but do we need to advertise elsewhere? Needs to be in some kind of regular periodical. We’ll check with the Mayor’s office regarding being grandfathered. Terry with send Stephanie the posting for the Daily Record about our vacant seat.

Commissioner Hoffman makes motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Rick.

Secretary called each present commissioner by name for vote:

Commissioner Hoffman- yes

Chairman Reynolds- yes

Commissioner Rick- yes

Commissioner Clendenin- yes

Commissioner Dougherty- yes

Meeting adjourned - 7:54pm