

January 11, 2021

SSBD Minutes

6:30- via zoom

Present:

Luke Reynolds, Chairman  
Terry Hoffman, Treasurer  
Bill Clendenin, Commissioner  
Molly Dougherty, Secretary  
Jim Rick, Commissioner  
Billy Tomber, Commissioner  
Sgt. Kitchell, SLMPD/TCF  
Major Cousins, SLMPD/TCF

Meeting commenced at 6:33pm

#### **TCF Report**

No major incidents in last two months.

November: Assault on Gravois and 55. A couple in a car got in an argument, pulled over and he assaulted her. Catalytic converter thefts continue but some arrests have been made.

December: four stolen cars and some package theft. On S. 10<sup>th</sup> in an apartment building there was an assault- a case of mistaken identity and drug dispute.

TCF went around the streets to report any burned out streetlights. They will follow up with the alleyways.

In preparation for Mardi Gras, we will increase patrols that weekend. Despite no parade, there would still likely be an uptick in people around the neighborhood and in bars. MGI is discouraging people from coming to Souldard unless attending a ticketed, closed event at a bar or establishment.

#### **Review of previous minutes**

Motion to approve November Minutes by Commissioner Hoffman, seconded by Commissioner Rick.

Minutes approved unanimously. Commissioner Dougherty to sign minutes and provide for publishing.

#### **Business Report**

Review of year end income statement. We remained well below budget with overall expenses for the year.

We will need to review and pass a budget for 2021 to be approved by the Board of Alderman. Commissioner Hoffman provided a preliminary budget proposal to the Commissioners to review. Discussed proposed increases to camera, marketing, and TCF budgets.

Motion to approve 2021 Budget by Chariman Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Hoffman. Budget approved unanimously. The Budget will be provided to Alderman Coatar to be presented to the BoA.

### **Old Business**

Camera program and City's Police Foundation camera program- There is nothing new to report. The city's program has grown so much they don't have the manpower to take more on and may need to focus more on the maintenance of the current cameras. Chairman Reynolds will stay in touch in case things change.

### **New Business**

Traffic calming discussions with CID Board- the CID is looking into a study to look into traffic issues to pinpoint what the needs are in the neighborhood. In addition to this proposal, the board discussed hiring a project manager to see the endeavor through from start to finish. Commissioner Hoffman, member of the CID as well, will follow up on more information about the intersections to be included in the study, scope of the study, purpose, etc. The current proposal is estimated at \$50,000.00 and we're proposing to be responsible for 40% of the costs along with the CID, SRG, and 7<sup>th</sup> Ward.

Communications Director needs to step down and we will be looking for someone to step into the role. Commissioner Hoffman has a lead and will follow up.

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

All in favor, meeting adjourned – 8:17pm.

approved 2/8/21  
