

March 13, 2023 – SSBD Minutes

Luke Reynolds, Chairman

Terry Hoffman, Treasurer

Jim Rick, Commissioner

Shawn Caruso, Commissioner

Billy Tomber, Commissioner

Sgt. Kitchell, TCF

Maj. Cousins, TCF

Guests: Mark and Cathy Sweetnam; Bill Clendenin

Meeting commenced at 6:41pm at Molly's in Soulard

### **Review of Minutes**

Motion to approve January 2023 minutes by Chairman Reynold, seconded by Commissioner Hoffman.  
Vote to approve unanimously (Commissioner Caruso abstained as he was not in attendance in January).

Motion to approve February 2023 minutes by Chairman Reynold, seconded by Commissioner Hoffman.  
Vote to approve unanimously.

Commissioner Tomber was not present or included in the voting to approve the January and February minutes.

### **TCF/Crime Report**

-3/10 Individual coming from Chava's was knocked out by 2 suspects and robbed.

-3/12 victims at Philips gas station at 7<sup>th</sup> and Russell left car running and 2 suspects pulled up and got in and drove away. They realized there was a child in the car and pulled over on Menard and left the car and child.

-3/3 Shooting incident near Pontiac Park in front of Lafayette Lofts. A receipt was found at the scene from the BP gas station at Russell and 7<sup>th</sup> so police were able to recover pictures of the suspects from the gas station as well as videos from neighbors. The shooting appeared to involve the 2 suspects seen at the gas station and a white car of approximately 3 additional suspects. No information on why the shooting took place and no suspects have been apprehended.

-28 car thefts reported (includes 5 cars warming up in the street with remote start and 3 stolen Penske trucks)

Discussed adding additional patrol on the weekends with a special interest in patrolling Pontiac Park

Discussed providing information on our website and social media about a device that prevents people from being able to essentially hack your remote start if your car is parked close enough to your house, allowing people to steal your car without a key. They are about \$50 to purchase.

## **Business Report**

Monthly review of budget and current expenditures to date. We have not received our 2023 disbursement yet.

## **Old Business**

Traffic calming proposal for detailed engineering drawings is approximately \$150,000. We are working with the CID and the Ward Capital to proceed with this.

Clean Team for street and alley pickup through Employment Connections is moving forward and we are working on partnering with the CID, SBA, Peter and Paul Housing Corp, and Mardi Gras Foundation for cost sharing. The SBD would be responsible for roughly \$35,000 in the first year.

## **New Business**

The SBD May meeting will take place in conjunction with the CID meeting with the new 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman on May 8<sup>th</sup> 5pm.

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Tomber, seconded by Commissioner Hoffman. Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm

Minutes approved April 10, 2023

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Molly Dzy".