

TARA CRIME PREVENTION AND NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

**Goodwood Library
7711 Goodwood Boulevard
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**

Conference Room B

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The Tara Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District (“District”) held its first commissioners’ meeting at Goodwood Library, Conference Room B, Wednesday, August 13th, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by attorney Sheri Morris. Sheri Morris acted as Chair of the meeting until officers were elected.

The following commissioners were present:

Fabian Blache
Jeff Baudier
Anna Hingle
Bill Kipf

The following commissioners were absent:

Lisa Catalanatto
Ross DeNicola
Dale Songy

There were 4 members present and thus a quorum.

Agenda Accepted (See Attachment 1).

Margaret Vic, a Tara resident, attended the meeting and presented the committee with a statement to postpone the vote on the swearing in of the Commissioners. She was allowed to speak, as were others who attended. They were given approximately 45 minutes to share their thoughts, after which Sheri asked each of the appointed commissioners if they would like to be sworn in. All four present replied yes.

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Attorney Sheri Morris administered the oath of office and swore in the 4 members who were present. (See Attachment 2 Oath of office.)

Election of Officers:

Motion was made by Bill Kipf to elect Jeff Baudier as Chairman, seconded by Fabian Blache.

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS

3 ABSENT

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to elect Dale Songy as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Anna Hingle.

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS

3 ABSENT

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to elect Anna Hingle as Interim Secretary, seconded by Bill Kipf.

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS

3 ABSENT

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to elect Lisa Catalanatto as Treasurer, seconded by Bill Kipf.

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS

3 ABSENT

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Determination of terms of commissioners:

Lots were drawn to determine the staggered terms of office for the first appointed commissioners. The terms of office are as follows for those that were present. The rest will pull lots at a future date:

Fabian Blache	3 years
Jeff Baudier	2 years
Lisa Catalanatto	_ years
Ross DeNicola	_ years
Anna Hingle	2 years
Bill Kipf	4 years
Dale Songy	_ years

Appointment of special counsel and related matters:

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to select Attorney Sheri Morris as legal counsel, seconded by Bill Kipf. (See Attachment 3 -- 2 pages.)

Note that the contract must be approved by the State Attorney General.

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS
3 ABSENT

Adoption of Official Journal:

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to select The Advocate as the Official Journal of the District, seconded by Bill Kipf. (See attachment 4 - 1 page.)

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS
3 ABSENT

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Adoption of Resolution calling for Special Election:

Motion was made by Jeff Baudier to adopt the resolution calling a special election to levy a \$100.00 per year parcel fee, to apply to the Louisiana State Bond Commission for approval to levy the fee, and to submit a ballot proposition to the Louisiana Secretary of State for an election on December 6, 2014, seconded by Fabian Blache. (See attachment 5 Resolution No. 2014-002 - 6 pages.)

The vote was as follows:

4 YEAS

3 ABSENT

Discussion of meeting schedule for rest of 2014:

- Next meeting will be held at the Goodwood Library (large Conference room - 1st floor) at 7 pm on August 20, 2014. The purpose of this meeting is to share information on the development of the Tara Crime Prevention & Improvement District with Tara residents.
- An additional meeting before the election will be held on October 22nd.

Unfinished Business:

- None

Announcements/Other:

- None

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Guests in Attendance

Don and Shirley Lichtenstein
Marsha Allison
Susan Wheeler
Brian and Celeste Smith
Myles Reed
Mr. Ernest from Fairway Drive
Another guest from University Acres