



FGCAC

Meeting Tuesday, November 16, 2010

ATTENDANCE:	REPRESENTING
Tim Bryant	Fair Grounds Race Course
Eric Halstrom	Fair Grounds Race Course
Linda Landesberg	Councilmember Palmer
Sandra Salmen	Fair Grounds Race Course
Bishop Ryan Warner	Councilmember Fielkow
Enrique Sterling	Councilmember Guidry
Henry Dean	Superintendent Serpas
Jimmy Scott	NOPD/Fair Grounds Race Course
Tommy Lewis	Councilmember Guidry

Meeting called to order 4:06 pm by Chairperson Bishop Warner.

Bishop Warner welcomed everyone and explained to the committee this would be the last meeting of 2010. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Welcome new member Commander Henry Dean, third district, NOPD. He has been with the NOPD for 33 years. He asked to be made aware of any special event days for he will add this to his task force.

Approval by all members was given to the minutes of the last meeting.

Old Business:

Tim Bryant: Voodoo Parking was not as successful as we had hoped, but there is optimism for the event in the future. A lot was learned and with the additional parking at Delgado it gave the Voodoo fans more parking options. The shuttle seemed to have been a real plus with parkers and even some people who parked on the street came in and paid to ride the shuttle.

Henry Dean informed the group that he felt this was the lightest number of attendees he had seen for a Voodoo Festival and he has been working the Festival since it started.

Tim asked: What did the neighborhood say?

Linda Landesberg responded she was the person designated to take any complaint calls and that she only had one call and it concerned people parking along the Bayou.

Henry Dean is going to call Delgado to see how many cars they parked for the 3 day event. Henry believes having the shuttle was a real plus for parking at the Fair Grounds especially at the end of the night.

Neighborhood update was provided by Jimmy Scott and a thorough hand out was given to the Committee. The area surrounding the Fair Grounds had one armed robbery during Voodoo and it happened on Leda Street on Sunday morning.

Jimmy gave a status report on the two Fair Grounds patrol cars which both have over 104,000 miles on them. One car is in the shop and is having a new transmission put into it. When they are down to one car the two officers ride together.

Enrico Sterling asked: How much longer will they be able to work?

Jimmy responded: Maybe another 6 months.

Tim Bryant: Wants the committee to understand he is trying to come up with other creative means to obtain a new patrol car and we are not stopping with our efforts.

The discussion of the patrol cars will be added to the next meetings agenda

New Business:

On Thanksgiving Day the post time for the first race will be 11:05 am for the Saints will be playing Dallas in the afternoon.

Commander Dean reassured the group his task force will be out that day.

It was asked that Sandra send out the information on Commander Dean and copies of the Fair Grounds racing dates for this 2010-2011 season.

For the minutes here is Commander Dean's information:

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Bishop Warner asked Henry to make a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Enrico.

Next meeting to be held according to proviso on Tuesday, February 8 at 4:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm