

**MID CITY SECURITY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 6PM
Via Zoom**

Board Members Present:
Tung Ly-Absent (Resigned)
Mary Moises
Wendy Laker
David Beran

Guests:
Sgt. Morrison
Al Williams
Bob Rivard

Roll Call
Quorum Present
Meeting Called to Order
Visitors Welcomed

Wendy L. moved to approve the Minutes of July 26, 2021 Meeting. Mary M. seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NOPD REPORT: Sgt. Morrison gave his status report on the problem areas.

Re: Ideal Grocery- Officer Miguel could not attend the zoom meeting but Sgt. Morrison said that he is still working on the problem with the security officer hired by the owner of the business.

Re: VOA – Sgt. Morrison said that he has approached the manager of the business and told him that there is a problem with drugs, illegal parking, etc. Sgt. Morrison will follow up.

Re: Club Vandal – Sgt. Morrison said there are lots of parking problems at the business and he and the other officers have approached the illegal parkers.

Re: 4731 Canal Street – Sgt. Morrison has contacted the owner of the property and told him that he needs to press charges so that NOPD can remove the homeless people. Owner was told to contact Quality of Life Officer to assist the homeless. However, the owner didn't want to have the transients arrested.

Re: 3600 Toulouse – Sgt. Morrison advises that there is no need to keep the security light at this location. Another MCSD officer confirmed the above.

Sgt. Morrison presented Crime stats – Car jackings and auto burglaries are down, but shootings and assault and aggravated battery are up. He presented stats for July 1- July 31, 2021. Sgt. Morrison stated that soon we will be able to have stats in actual time through the date of the meeting. There

was a shooting today at Burger King near Warren Easton on Canal Street. Teen was shot and is in surgery. No further details were available.

Vehicles- Sgt. Morrison advises that one car that is under warranty is still in the shop for repairs. Another car that was in an accident has been totaled. Sgt. Morrison tried to salvage it but the insurance company refused. Since NOPD owns the car, MCSD receives no proceeds of the insurance settlement. He will make a list of the vehicles in use by MCSD and their conditions.

Sgt. Morrison gave notice that he is resigning from NOPD in addition to his position with MCSD.

Officers Reports:

- Mary gave financial report.
- Mary reported that NOPD has not furnished the trip sheets and supporting documents for the NOPD invoices for the period of June – August 2021.
- Wendy gave Residents and Business Communication and Outreach Committee report. Tung Ly met with the Michael Jarrett , new website specialist last week. Wendy plans to meet with Jarrett to address website maintenance and other duties. Wendy would also like to research the possibility of amending the statute which was proposed in 2019-2020 relative to raising the security fee on multi-family properties.

Old Business:

- Board approved the renewal of the engagement letter for Becker Rutledge, CPA, through October 31, 2021.
- Mary M. will contact Marshall Hevron, MCSD attorney for his report on the June 2021 meeting with the City Finance Dept. relative to the millage invoices.
- Mary M. advises that there will be no further in person meetings at Thurgood Marshall School while there is still a covid surge. The Principal of the school is amenable to allowing our meetings at the school once it is permissible.

New Business:

- Mary M. gave report on the cost of Public Officers General Liability Insurance required for MCSD Commissioners. Bob Rivard suggested that Mary contact Lakeview Crime Prevention to determine if MCSD policy is in line with that security district's insurance rate.
- Tung Ly announced his resignation on August 11, 2021. Wendy advised that Tung moved out of state. Question remains whether City Park Neighborhood fka Parkview Neighborhood Association has the authority to make the appointment to fill the vacancy on the MCSD. Mary M. will send email to MCSD attorney requesting any research he may have relative to this issue. Bob Rivard suggested that MCSD should consult with other security districts like Lakeview Crime Prevention and perhaps save on legal fees by using the same attorney if we share the same problems. He further suggested that we obtain an opinion from MCSD attorney relative to the authority City Park Neighborhood Organization f/k/a Parkview
- may have in making an appointment to the MCSD Board.

- The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between MCSD and the City of NO. mandates that Sgt. Morrison's replacement be approved within 20 days of his departure. Wendy L. requested a special meeting to discuss Sgt. Morrison's replacement.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 16, 2021, 5PM via zoom

Wendy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mary M. seconded it and motion passed.

CERTIFICATE

As Secretary-Treasurer of the Mid- City Security District, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes duly and legally adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Mid-City Security District, after due notice, and that said minutes have not been rescinded, modified or recalled and are in full force and effect.

WITNESS my signature, this 18TH day of August, 2021.



Mary Moises
Secretary Treasurer