

## LAKESHORE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

### September 30, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

At approximately 7:00 p.m., Dr. David Myers, the Board President, called to order the meeting, which was held at 532 Lakeshore Parkway, New Orleans, LA 70124.

#### Present:

Colin Cambre , Jimmy Courtenay, Scott Dittmann, Anna Hugel, Ray Landeche, Vic Landry, James Lapeze, Dr. David Myers, and Dominick Ragusa

#### Unable to Attend:

David Geerken and David Jacobs.

#### Determination of Quorum and Call to Order:

Dr. Myers determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order.

#### The Board discussed the following:

1. Guest: Byron Casey, President of Lakeshore Crime Board: Mr. Casey met with the LPOA Board to follow up on the Crime Boards' comments at the General Membership meeting on May 12, 2014. Specifically, a majority of the Crime Board was present and stated to all present that their Crime Board did not have the money or the authority to invest in and maintain crime cameras. Further, the Crime Board members then made strong requests in front of all that the LPOA should use its own funds for crime cameras even though this involves crime.

On September 30, 2014, the LPOA Board was surprisingly advised by Byron that as of June 16, 2014, the Crime Board found money from its accessible accounts and would pay 100% for cost of the Project Nola crime cameras. He also advised that he sent letters to members whose homes are best situated for placement of the Project Nola cameras.

At the LPOA meeting of September 30, 2014, Mr. Casey asked the LPOA Board if it would be willing to approve and pay \$ 849.50 for 50 Project Nola signs (\$16.99 per sign). The LPOA board voted and unanimously approved the \$ 849.50 payment for the crime camera signs despite this being a Crime Board issue. Also, Mr. Casey would get a quote regarding the cost for installing said signs around the neighborhood, then get back with the LPOA board.

2. The covenant/code issue regarding the structure on 748 Emerald St: No action by owner Jason Hernandez since the board voted unanimously agreed to inform Jared Munster with the City Director of Safety and Permits, Jason Hernandez, and Louis Capo of OLD of the violation. The city notified Mr. Hernandez. Board would follow up with City Director of Safety and permits to enforce the applicable permit provisions. With City involved, permit violation may automatically attach to property.
3. The similar violation at 7414 Sardonyx, owned Chelsea Adler, and noticed by Ray Landeche a month or two ago: Board agreed that this was not a recent addition, but rather many years old. Therefore, at this time, the Board would take no further action regarding this property.
4. Lake Area Neighborhood Association's appointments to the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority: Dieter Hugel and William Settoon, Jr. agreed to be members of the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority. However, Mr. Hugel may not be approved or may need to step down due to his current lease of a slip in marina. Board continues to push for Lakeshore residents to be members on this OLD board.
5. Funding of Old: Board concerned with allocation of funds from general fund especially now that Lakeshore Drive is fully open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week and safety and traffic are major concerns.
6. Board continues to request OLD to enforce restrictions regarding parking and blocking of alleys. Board will re-request action by OLD. Dr. Myers will follow up with Louis Capo. One member mentioned placing large potted plants/trees at his own expense in alleys for decoration and prevention of parking in alleys and for beautification.
7. Painting of bus stop shelters. Certificate of insurance from contract painter was sent to OLD. Board previously agreed to pay in accordance with the previous bid and photographs. Painter will begin and may be finished before next general membership meeting. Subsequent to meeting, board requested opinion of artist regarding painting of the engraved "Lakeshore" on the bus stop shelters, which would cost approximately \$150. Also, artist advised that the Rockery Ace Hardware store generously and unexpectedly donated the paint.
8. Update website: Jared Brosset, the new Councilperson for District D, submitted letter for website.
9. Road repairs, including Canal Blvd: Still nothing to date. However, after meeting, members noticed repairs around certain manholes.

10. Coyotes: Warning of coyotes in Lake Vista. Request to place notification on LPOA website and provide the contact information for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.
11. Upcoming vote in front of the New Orleans City Planning Commission regarding an amendment to the current Conditional Use Permit for the sale of alcohol at 7840 Lakeshore Drive: No Board members had issues with providing goods and services for vessels. However, Board is concerned site will be similar to an old "Timer Saver" location for vehicles and pedestrians on Lakeshore Drive. Board is worried about increase in trash, loitering, and crime in the area, which already has ample access to packaged alcohol and goods and services nearby. This creates even more problems given the limited police presence and funding in area and would have a severely negative impact on the nearby residents of Lakeshore. See also # 4 above.

The Board voted: 7 yeas and 2 nays to reject said amendment. The original use was to allow only sale of alcohol to be consumed at a restaurant on-premises with limited hours and this should not be expanded further. Board submitted letter and encouraged members to attend if they are able to attend a mid week, mid day meeting on October 28, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. Notice would be posted on website.

12. Street Lights: New energy efficient street light fixtures will be installed by November (possibly earlier) in Lakeshore. Old light fixtures will be replaced with new LED fixtures. Subsequent to meeting, fixture replacement was completed
13. General membership meeting on November 10, 2014 at 7 p.m. Invitations and notices mailed.

With no further business to come before the Board, Dr. Myers adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:



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