



Fair Grounds Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 10, 2011

ATTENDANCE:

Tim Bryant
Bishop Ryan Warner
Linda Landesberg
Sandra Salmen
Tina Metoyer
Michael Pearce
Rocky Seydel
Henry Dean
Virgil Duplessis
Tommy Lewis
Jimmy Scott
Enrico Sterling
Sherry Watters

REPRESENTING

Fair Grounds Race Course
Councilmember Fielkow
Councilmember Palmer
Fair Grounds Race Course
Councilmember Hedge-Morrell
Councilmember Guidry
Councilmember Clarkson
Superintendent Serpas
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Meeting is called to order at 4:01pm by Chairperson Bishop Warner.

Bishop Warner welcomed everyone and thanked them for their time and involvement in the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Bishop Warner asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting held on Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Sherry Watters made the motion and Michael Pearce seconded

There was no discussion on old business

Jimmy Scott and Henry Dean gave a detail presentation with maps of the area relating to any crime in the area surround the 3 neighborhoods that are patrolled by the NOPD as the Fair Grounds detail.

Henry Dean reminded all about the importance to locking your cars and not leaving any visible merchandise or purses on the front seats of a car. This gives the thief the opportunity to look in side the vehicle.

Enrico Sterling asked Henry Dean how many of the cars stolen are un locked.

Henry Dean stated 50%

Jimmy Scott reported a new Fair Grounds patrol car has been ordered and he expects upon arrival will not take long to outfit the patrol car. This will give the patrol the advantage of being able to use the parts from the older cars should a problem arise.

Sandra Salmen talked about the upcoming Quarter Horse Race Meet, which begins on Tuesday, September 7 and will run through Saturday, September 24th. The last day of the meet the Louisiana Quarter Horse Breeders Association will run the \$290,000 Quarter Horse Futurity. On that day the Quarter Horse Breeders Association will sponsor a food truck event in the parking lot adjacent to the Derby Building. There will be live music inside the Grandstand on the Westside of the building.

Quarter horses will begin arriving on August 31st and Sandra explained most of the horses would be shipping in so there will be smaller vans coming down Belfort to the receiving barn.

Sherry Watters brought up that (12) new crepe myrtles have been planted along Belfort street and the razor wire has been taken down.

Sandra Salmen announced with the arrival of thoroughbreds the Fair Grounds would no longer announce at 6:00 am the track is open for training. This will be done by email to the trainers.

Bishop Warner reminded everyone our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8th, 2011 and the meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Michael Pearce asked for a motion to adjourn and Rocky Seydel seconded the motion.