



Fair Grounds Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday February 7, 2017

Meeting is called to order at 4:08pm by Chairperson Bishop Warner.

Bishop Warner thanked everyone for their service, Happy New Year to all.

Bishop acknowledged the presence of Ronald Brink and thanked him for his attendance.

Bishop acknowledged Brad Bryant and thanked him for his attendance and loyalty to Fair Grounds

Introduced new President and GM, Doug Shipley. Doug spoke a little about himself.

Bishop Warner asked for a motion to approve last meetings minutes, everyone had received the minutes and motion was approved by Sherry Watters and Benjamin Wayne.

Old Business:

- **Property Updates**
- **Beginning of the 2016-2017 Thoroughbred Season**
 - Off to a great start at beginning of the meet
 - Thanksgiving
 - One of the biggest days we've had so far
 - Racing Commission
 - Praised the FG turf course

Neighborhood Update:

Commander Jimmy Scott gave out detail reports on burglaries, auto theft and armed robberies that have occurred in the patrol area in the last quarter. (Distributed maps) He informed everyone that they can go to Nola.com to review crime trends.

Neighborhood Update will be attached to the notes via email

New Business:

- **2016-2017 Thoroughbred Season**
 - Turf
 - Our turf has been one of the biggest selling points to horsemen

- All is going well
- **EHV – Quarantine**
 - EHV began on Christmas Day
 - Entire month of January and beginning of Feb
 - Over 300 horses had to be quarantined
 - As of today only 6 horses left in quarantine
 - 5 out of the 6 are eligible to be back in their barns
 - Very appreciative to everyone in this room and were happy to not affect the neighborhood
 - Hope to be completely out of the quarantine by next week
 - Only one fatality due to EHV-1
 - Only transmits between horses
 - Virus
 - Can affect an entire meet
 - Happened here 8 years ago
 - Has affected other tracks
- **Jazz Fest**
 - Met Mr. Shipley
 - Meet is running later this year
 - Jazz Fest will stack up trucks March 15-17
 - As soon as racing finishes, they will be headed into the property to set up

Bishop informed neighborhood attendees that they are able to speak off the record.

Bishop Warner informed the committee the next meeting would be on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 @ 4:00pm in the Executive Conference Room.

Keep families affected by tornadoes in your thoughts and prayers.

Stay safe during Mardi Gras time and look out for one another.

Bishop Warner thanked everyone and asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Maria Glorioso.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.