

Upper Hurstville

Residents Association and Security District

THIRD QUARTER 2024 BOARD MEETING AGENDA

2023 BOARD MEMBERS

Patrick A. Talley, Jr.
President

Ouida M. Laudumiey
Vice-President

P. Hillyer "Hill" Dupuy, Jr.
Treasurer

Mary Looney
Secretary

Margaret Beer

Gavin H. Guillot

Paulette Rivas

Jay W. Seastrunk, III

Courtney Stumm

Benjamin J. Waring

Scott T. Zander

Katherine D. Smith
Executive Director

September 25, 2024

I. Security District Board Meeting 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to order, roll call, certification of quorum (Pat)
2. Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2024, Second Quarter Board meeting (Mary)
3. Financial and budget matters (Hill/Katherine)
 - Parcel Fees for 2025
 - Reports for 2024 YTD
 - Authorized check signers
4. Business and Reports:
 - (a) Status of patrols
 - NOPD/SEI
 - Sharing arrangement with AASD
 - SEI \$2/hour increase
 - Communication to members going forward regarding incidents
 - (b) Additional signage throughout the neighborhood and video surveillance
 - (c) Compliance with State Ethics Board

II. Residents Association Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.

1. Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2024, Second Quarter Board meeting
2. Business reports:
 - (a) President & Executive Committee Report
 - (b) Treasurer – Financial report
 - (c) Vice-President – Communications/Website report
 - Block Captains
 - Membership Committee
 - Directory
 - (d) Adding "Slow Children at Play" signs and cones
 - (e) Zoning and Quality of Life issues – Reginelli's expansion
 - (f) Social Committee – Fall Social
3. Adjourn

April 10,2024

Upper Hurstville Security Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Pat Talley, Hill Dupuy, Gavin Guillot, Ouida Laudumiey, Mary Looney, Paulette Rivas, Jay Seastrunk, Courtney Stumm, Scott Zander, Katherine Smith, ex officio

Meeting called to order. Proposed acceptance of January 9th minutes by Laudumiey, seconded by Smith, passed unanimously.

Financials:

Due to delayed city property tax deadline to February 29, no figures available yet.

Patrol costs have remained stable and Smith to continue to monitor SEI bills.

Looney to be added to Talley and Dupuy as a member who can sign checks. Stumm to look into Quikbooks program for check distribution.

Smith being satisfied with present auditors, Looney motioned to keep them, seconded by Laudumiey. Passed. Talley commented that it is best practices policy to periodically change auditors.

Open meeting:

Discussion about speeding cars in the area. Smith to purchase eight “Kids at Play” free standing signs. Smith to price “Video Surveillance in Use” signs for personal front yards and poles. SEI has some signs they are willing to deliver. Rivas to contact NOPD to request officer to give speeding tickets.

Guillot shared information after meeting with SEI. Their opinion was that city cameras were fairly ineffective because the cars used in illegal activities were often stolen, and personal identification almost impossible due to clothing and glasses that prevented clear image. Opinion was patrol car most effective and suggests additional patrol Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Discussion followed regarding how to inform residents of an illegal incidents and how to get any personal video footage to the police as quickly as possible. Email blasts are currently handled by Smith or her assistant and cannot always be done immediately. It was moved by Laudumiey and seconded by Looney to expand number of people who could create an email blast that would inform neighbors and assist NOPD.

Discussion followed about pros and cons of becoming independent from Audubon group. Problems include fact that Audubon physically much larger, therefore getting more time, inconsistent expectations of services such as mail pickup by patrolmen, and confusion on part of patrolmen about where areas separate.

Smith shared five-year financial figures with prospects of sharing patrols, not sharing, adding shifts, with and without possible wage increases. As some of these totals were deficit spending, Board was reminded that current charter allows fee to go to \$650 with next election in 2026.

Monitoring of officer movement was discussed. Several board members volunteered to help monitor GPS in the patrol car. Smith can instruct.

In conclusion, Guillot moved, seconded by Looney, to schedule an additional patrolman serving only Upper Hurstville for Thursday, Friday and Saturday eight hour shifts to run at random times between dusk and dawn. Talley added that a grid should be created that patrolman follow. Passed unanimously. Smith to run the numbers on this and email Board for vote via email.

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Talley opened meeting with request to set up a succession plan for his position. His career demands have increased, and he requests anyone interested in the position to contact him directly.

Rivas suggested inviting Gerard Poche to join Board. Stumm has several possible members.

Financials:

Reports for 12/31/24 show \$4,300 available, \$2,029 collected in 2023, and \$2,800 spent. (\$900 for block party, \$1,200 for cocktail party). 85 people have paid from about 450 parcels.

Laudumiey discussed block captain responsibility to inform new residents of UHSD organization and dues. Discussion followed about ineffectiveness of this method and problems with learning new email addresses. After Stumm suggested real estate agents as a source, motion made by Zander, seconded by Hill to have Laudumiey investigate accessing emails via real estate transactions.

Seastrunk informed board that Children's Hospital sent January 17, 2024 letter proposing Morgan Reyes Center for Hope to be opened in Calhoun Street building. Letter says facility open to government use, which opens door to possible uses without community input. Seastrunk to write Giarrusso, Rivas to call his office.

Clarification of rights to dues paying members made. Dues are voluntary with only dues paying members allowed to vote of certain issues. All residents, including renters, invited to parties.

Block party planned for Friday, May 17 from 5:00 – 7:00. Rivas and Laudumiey to coordinate.

Stumm moved to adjourn, seconded by Looney

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UHRA AND SD BOARD MEMBERS (CURRENT)

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Security District Terms Expiring:

2023: Talley (RA President)
2023: Dupuy (RA)
2024: Norwood/Beer (Mayor)
Looney (City Councilman)
2025: Waring (RA)
Laudumiey (State Representative)
2026: Rivas (State Senator)
Gavin Guillot (RA)
Zander (RA)