



July 15, 2013

Sheriff Jack Strain
P.O. Box 1229
Slidell, LA 70458

Dear Sheriff Strain,

I am writing on behalf of the Home Owners Association of Lake Ramsey regarding a recent Police Report taken on June 14. A copy of that report is attached.

For over a year the residents of Lake Ramsey have been tormented by "a man in black" that would appear out of the darkness to cars as they were trying to enter the security gates. Several of the residents reported that they were frightened by the sudden appearance of this "man in black" and several police reports were filed. When the police did come to the subdivision the "man in black" was not to be found. The police reported to the residents that they were taking these events "very seriously".

As you can see on June, 14, after yet another sighting of "the man in black" being reported to the police, a search in the wooded area found three men and two juveniles along with a gorilla suit. The men made a lame excuse of trying to get Big Foot reports started around the neighborhood. The police took the gorilla suit and filed a report. The report had no mention of the prior incidents where residents were frightened and left to feel uneasy about their community.

The Home Owners Board feels that there was absolutely no penalty for the anxiety that they caused our residents. We are wondering if the policemen that answered the call had knowledge of prior incidents or if they just brushed the incident off as a one-time prank? Why were no charges filed?

The HOA Board eagerly awaits your reply as the residents of Lake Ramsey are very concerned about our neighborhood security. Residents need to be reassured that they can depend on the St. Tammany Sheriff's Department to respond to our calls and those calls not be taken lightly.

We thank you for your time and the Home Owners Board, as well as, the residents would appreciate a reply to our letter. You may contact any of the addresses below.

Sincerely,

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Secretary HOA of Lake Ramsey

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Attachment