



Citizen Advisors for Public Safety (CAPS) Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 4, 2010, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. • City Hall Conference Room 104

Present: Susan Todzy (Chair), Kati Berg (Secretary), Bob Nowicki (Chair Elect), Nora Dooley, Robert Banks, Wayne Norrie, Kevin Fleming, Allen Chandler, James Robertson, Rene Lafflam, Amand Eggenberger, Jan Thronson,

Absent: Ahmed Makkawy. Dan Walker. Zoe Masterpole, John O'Neil

Guests: Lt. Casey Moilanen (Rochester Police Department), Sgt. Mike Sadauskis & his CAT team: Jim Novak, Sylvia Quirk, Capt. Brian Winters, Todd Schwanke.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN
Call to Order	CAPS was called to order at 6:30 p.m.	Pledge of allegiance.
Oct. 7 Minutes	Motion to Approve: Nora Dooley, 2 nd : Bob Nowicki	
Ground Rules	The group discussed and clarified the expectations for the meetings. These will be posted at every meeting and all are encouraged to hold one another accountable to them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stay "On Task." Each person to speak for 1 minute. 3 people to speak before you may speak again. ▪ Avoid Personal Attacks. ▪ Encourage Active Participation. ▪ Dialogue vs. Debate. No right or wrong answers. It's okay to share different perspectives. No "but" statements. Use "and" statements. ▪ Safety. Body language. Respectful listening. Reframe so that we have a common goal - shared purpose. One person at a time. ▪ Equal access to information. If we're all on the same page, every time we meet, we'll be more efficient.

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CAT Slide Presentaion	Sgt. Mike Sadauskis explained the Community Action Team (CAT) & introduced the police officers involved. Priorities will be set each week based on fluctuating needs in the community. Information comes from many sources; our group will be one of many sources of information to base priorities on.	
Other Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robert B. gave Rochester Police Dept. kudos for their professionalism. ▪ Susan T. was excited about CAPS & CAT working together as some citizens may feel more comfortable talking CAPS members than police officers. ▪ Jan T. expressed concerns about crime in Viking Hills neighborhood. ▪ Wayne N. said one person may think one incident is no big deal, but perhaps CAPS may learn a pattern from hearing from many individuals. 	Renee L. will put in the RNeighbors newsletter that citizens can express concerns to CAPS as an alternative or in addition to the Rochester Police Dept.
Solidifying CAPS purpose	<p>Broke into small groups to discuss direction and role of CAPS in the community. Top answers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Be a Community Advocate ▪ Communication link b/w citizens, police, city council, relevant orgs ▪ Collaborate to Educate ▪ Help to adjust police priorities as needed ▪ Listening ear followed by concrete actions so citizens feel like something is being done ▪ Understanding Diversity and the role it plays in fears and perceptions of safety. 	Discussion to continue where we left off....
Motion to Adjourn	<p>8:06 Meeting Adjourned. 1st Motion: Nora Dooley, 2nd Motions: Amanda Eggenberger</p>	