



Citizen Advisors for Public Safety (CAPS) Meeting Minutes
 Thursday, November 3, 2011, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. • City Hall Conference Room 104

Present: Nora Dooley, Amanda Eggenberger, Zoe Masterpole, Wayne Norrie, Bob Nowicki (Chair Elect) John O’Neil, Jan Thronson, Susan Todzy (Chair).

Absent: Kati Berg (Secretary), Savita Katarya, Rene Lafflam, Ahmed Makkawy.

Guests: Lt. Casey Moilanen (Rochester Police Department, CATeam), Sgt. Jim Evenson (Rochester Police Department), David & Paulette Johnson, Corey Coverston.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN
Call to Order, Open Public Comment	CAPS was called to order at 6:30 p.m.	No flag; Pledge of Allegiance held. Guests from Ward 3 present with no immediate concerns.
Minutes, Agenda	September 1 and October 6 minutes. Today’s agenda.	Approved as written.
CATeam, Lt. Casey Moilanen	<p>As of October 16, Sgt. Jim Evenson has joined the CATeam. He’s been with the RPD for 22 years serving in areas of Patrol, Investigations, Patrol Sergeant, the ERU (Emergency Response Unit) a.k.a SWAT, and computer forensics.</p> <p>The city of Rochester and Olmsted County now has their own Crimestoppers website. The program has been funded through a grant. This is affiliation with the Crimestoppers of Minnesota and specifically provides the “Most Wanted” from the area. E-mail, text, or call in a tip. It will go directly to Crimestoppers of Minnesota. A number will be assigned to the tip thereby making it anonymous. A monetary reward will be assigned to that number should an arrest be made. A seized car with the Crimerstopper logo will be used as advertising.</p>	<p>Welcome.</p> <p>Go to www.rochesterolmstedcrimestoppers.org. Get the word out about this program to your neighborhood associations. Magnets and stickers were distributed.</p>

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<p>CATeam, Lt. Casey Moilanen</p> <p>(Cont'd)</p>	<p>Shootings this week have been isolated between 2 groups of Somalis; both sides are not talking. Overall, crime is down this year and this is true for last month's statistics.</p> <p>Prostitution. K TTC had a special report. Most women are not even from Rochester. It's a transient group making as much as \$250 cash per hour.</p> <p>Bar noise. The meters don't necessarily pick up the bass and some bars are in buildings not originally meant to be for a bar i.e. Beer Bellyz was originally a gas station. The CATeam has reviewed what other cities are doing and most require the following before a bar opens: noise abatements, a security plan, and a building plan.</p>	<p>Be diligent if you see suspicious activity.</p> <p>An ordinance to prevent businesses to serve as a front should be in effect within a month or so. Discussion of the difference between administrative fines, a gross misdemeanor, and a felony occurred.</p> <p>Citizens need to be encouraged to telephone in noise complaints to assist in making a difference.</p>
<p>CAPS Issues</p>	<p>Community Safety Survey. All the results are in. About 140 people have replied. The response of one question was reviewed; it was a 7-page document. Discussion about how best to analyze and compile the data occurred. The goal is to get the results into a graph-like document that would be easy to read and understand for anyone in the community.</p> <p>Letter-to-the-Editor. Is the CAPS group ready to make a comment on a public safety issue such as prostitution?</p> <p>"RNeighbors Holiday Get-Together" is a chance for us to hang out in a social setting and celebrate the season.</p>	<p>The plan is to divide and conquer. CAPS members will pair up and each pair will take 3-4 questions to analyze. Due to the upcoming holidays, people prefer to use the December meeting as a forum to solely work on the survey with their partner. Susan will send an e-mail to the individual pairings of the results of each question.</p> <p>CAPS will hold off making any public comments on safety issues until we get our survey analysis completed.</p> <p>Mark your calendars: Sunday, December 4, 2011 from 4-8 pm at the Plummer House, 1091 Plummer Lane SW, Rochester.</p>

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CAPS Issues	Ward Map and CAPS member vacancies. The only Ward we don't have representation in is Ward 6, Sandra Means. Kati Berg is stepping down from being a CAPS Secretary for 2012.	No resolution to this issue was finalized. Amanda Eggenberger was nominated and elected to be her replacement. Thank you.
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be Thursday, December 8, 2011 at a location TBD.	Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Recorder: Susan M. Todzy