

Citizen Advisors for Public Safety (CAPS) Meeting Minutes Thursday, June 7, 2012, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. • City Hall Conference Room 104

Present: Nora Dooley, Amanda Eggenberger (Secretary), Mike Henry, Zoe Masterpole, Wayne Norrie, Sgt. Perlich, Harvey TePoel, Susan Todzy, Jan Throndson.

Absent: Jon Eckhoff, Sgt. Jim Evenson, Savita Katarya, Rene Lafflam, Lt. Casey Moilanen, Bob Nowicki (Chair), Lt. Sadauskis.

Guests: None.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.	Pledge of Allegiance
		Susan led the meeting in Bob's absence.
May Minutes	Change to say "Elsewhere in the community, there have been many copper thefts" in order that it does not appear copper thefts are happening at Quarry Hill.	Minutes from May were approved with said change. Jan made the motion to accept and Nora seconded.
Agenda	Changed that Sergent Perlich was reporting for the CAT team.	Agenda otherwise approved by the group in attendance.

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CAT report	There have been a lot of burglaries recently so be sure to lock things up. Also, the recent shootings are under investigation but seems like the people did know each other.	
	Sergent Perlich presented a great report regarding what is going on with the Street Crimes Unit. He mentioned how their first focus was gangs, guns, and drugs. While that is still a focus they now have many other focuses as well including human trafficking. He mentioned that their unit is a proactive unit of 5 members and work with the narcotics group as well. They are also working with other organizations to help find more criminals including ICE, Department of Corrections, US Marshals, etc.	
	He mentioned that the investigating unit is short four members right now but hopes to have those positions filled when the new trainee officers are able to go out on their own. He did mention that over 15 violent offenders wanted for homicide or attempted homicide were apprehended the first 12 months after starting up the Street Crimes Unit through developing cooperative efforts with other outside agencies.	
	When the Street Crimes Unit first started out crime was more out in the open but now that they are catching more criminals the crimes seem to be more in hidden areas or behind closed doors. They are doing more covert and undercover investigations now because of this. He mentioned that the unit is also able to adjust their schedules based on the needs. Sometimes they just put on a vest and walk the street when they know downtown could have issues (i.e. late nights around the bars) and that can deter some of the crime as well.	
	Mike asked what can neighborhoods do to help. The response was to stay united, get specifics when reporting, and to report. Some were concerned about reporting because despite saying you want it anonymous, if you are using a home phone they can track the number and still write your name. Sergent Perlich asked that you do not be afraid to report and if you have concerns about this to contact him.	
	It was asked which drugs are popular drugs right now and it was stated that meth is coming back, ectasy, and prescription medications are the biggest issues right now.	
Next meeting	It will be discussed via e-mail whether to have a meeting in July since it will be July 5.	Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.