

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

Present: Amanda Eggenberger (Secretary), Mike Henry, Rene Lafflam, Bob Nowicki (Chair), Officer Todd Schwanke, Susan Todzy.

Absent: Nora Dooley, Jon Eckhoff, Savita Katarya, Zoe Masterpole, Wayne Norrie, Lt. Bruce Sherden,

Harvey TePoel, Jan Throndson.

Guests: Bob Bawek from north Kutzky area.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.	Pledge of Allegiance
August Minutes and September Agenda	These will be reviewed at the next meeting as we did not have a quorum to approve these.	Approve these at the next meeting
CAT report	Office Schwanke reported in Lt. Sherden's absence.	
	July crime analysis: Simple assaults went up a little while all other crimes went down for the 10 year average.	
	There have been a rash of burglaries in July and August but the police know who the criminals are and some have been caught. Robberies have mainly been juveniles and are taking things like your wallet.	
	Bars that have been high on the reports are Dooleys, Kathys, and Top Shots. Many of the calls are for service and being proactive. Some calls can be because of incidents happening around the area of the bar and then the bar's name is used, but it is not necessarily associated with the bar.	
	There have been a couple of shootings. The one at Super America was an off-duty officer hearing shots and responding. Those suspects were caught. There was a shooting in Southeast Rochester but those suspects knew each other, it was not random. Most of the shootings seem to be quarrels between groups/people and most are not random.	
	FYI – pepper spray is legal to carry.	

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN
What is going on in the neighborhoods	Bob and Susan have been doing litter clean-up around some of the bridges and parks in their area. They are noticing many squatters in the Cascade Creek area. In their neighborhood five neighbors and one business owner are going to adopt a section of the park and help keep it clean. Hopefully that will also help deter crime.	Keep your eyes and ears open.
	Campaign signs have been stolen and some placed in other people's yards. The police cannot do much about this, other than if you catch the person trespassing (coming on your yard to take the signs). If you are concerned it is recommended that you do online reporting. Fourth Street gangs seem to have quieted down. Most are in juvenile detention is the theory. Another concern was speeding in neighborhoods, especially Center Street from near the college to 11 th Avenue. If you are concerned about speeding you can write the Police Department and ask them for a speed trailer (the trailer where it shows you how fast you are going). Sometimes that can deter some of the speeding.	
Neighbors Working with the City forum	This is September 26 from 6:30-8:30. They will have different city departments stating what they do and how they can help, and maybe projects they are working on. This way people could find out who to go to if they have problems with specific issues. This is intended to just be 2 hours, 5 minutes per group, so that you get a brief overview and are not stuck in a meeting all day or night.	
Next meeting	October 4.	Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.