



**Foothills Area Command
Community Policing Council**

Minutes

October 14, 2019

- 1. Call to Order – Chair Joe Abbin**
Council present: Joe Abbin, Mark Burton, David Barbour, Mickey Hagg, Justin Hadrych-Rosier
Approximately 35 attended from the public, seven from APD

- 2. Old Business**
 - a. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda: Approved**
 - b. Review/amendment/approval of September Minutes: Approved**

- 3. APD Presentations - Lt. Shawn Garrett**

September Foothills Property Crime Report

- **15 Commercial Robberies**
- **7 Robberies to an individual**
- **53 Stolen Vehicles**
- **19 Commercial Burglaries**
- **48 Residential Burglaries**
- **82 Auto Burglaries**

September Foothills Violent Crime Report

The Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) tracks the violent crime data, but they are behind and reliable numbers are not available.

September Foothills Use of Force

- **11 events recorded**
- **3 Serious Use of Force**
- **6 Use of Force**
- **2 Show of Force**
- **No Tactical Activations**

4. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—Brief reports from CPC members and citizens

Mark Burton-Singing Arrow NA

- **A rocket rally and pumpkin carving event held last month**
- **He is working on updating the draft CPC Ordinance**
- **Neighborhood Watch—it's now easy to create a neighborhood watch**
- **BCSO and neighborhood groups were not participating in a sting operation as alleged by a citizen**

Vicki Williams-NE CPC Chair

- **Oct is Domestic Violence (DV) awareness month. Forum to be held at the African American Performing Arts Center on October 26th from 11-2. There will be a panel discussion featuring Raul Torrez NM DA; Non-Profit Organizations will be there, New Mexico Crime Victims Reparation, SANE, Rape Crisis Center, FAC Organizations, APDs FAST Unit**
- **There 16,000 DV calls a year nationally which is 45 a day**
- **Every minute 20 people are victims of DV in the US**

5. Presentation –

a. Amanda Thompson (Advocate, The Arc NM: sexual assault victim advocacy program for individuals with intellectual and development disabilities)

- **Grant received one year ago to work on domestic violence issues**
- **90% of people with disabilities end up being sexually assaulted**
- **Epidemic in every neighborhood in America**
- **Victims have no background on what is permissible and what is not**
- **Society sees people with developmental disabilities as not credible due to their disability and the predators are aware of this fact**
- **Her program is similar to the Rape Crisis Center programs**
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b. Rosemary Traub (Metropolitan Court Domestic Violence Hearing Officer)

- **The community can help us by learning everything they can about domestic violence.**
- **Victims say the best way to help them is to: Listen to them, believe them, do something.**
- **Three Hearing Officers at District Court-there is no filing fee, the Hearing Officers review 25 to 30 cases a day and they have 8 to 10 hearings a day.**
- **The two parties are the petitioner and the respondent. The petitioner usually does not have an attorney because they cannot afford one. But respondents usually have an attorney.**
- **Victims typically make 5 to 7 attempts to leave their situation but financial and children are some of the reasons victims don't leave.**
- **Risk of harm to the victim increases by 75% when they leave.**

Sgt. Josh Thoma (APD Stalking Unit Detective)

- **He is part of Family Abuse and Stalking Team (FAST Unit)**
- **They deal with Domestic Violence Cases, not too many stalking cases**
- **Lots of stalking cases are actually harassment cases (misdemeanors)**
- **Calling 26 times or say “I see you at your vehicle” is not stalking, that is harassment**
- **Stalking is a felony**
- **Vehicle tracker technology has gotten cheaper and can be used to enforce restraining orders prosecute stalkers**

6. Raffle and Adjournment

Next meeting: Monday, November 18, 2019; 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center. Program: “Homes for the Homeless” with Pete Dinelli.

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