



Northeast

Community Policing Council

Minutes

January 7, 2019

1. Call to Order – Chair Eric Olivas 6:30 pm

Council present: Dorothy Woodward, Vicki Williams, and Brennan Williams

Absent: Troy Taylor, Cassandra Morrison, and Ane Romero

Approximately 29 attended from the public, 7 from APD

2. Old Business

a. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda, second and approved.

b. Review/amendment/approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes, second and approved.

3. New Business

a. Election of 2019 Officers

- Motion to appoint Eric Olivas 2 more years on the board, second and approved.
- Motion to nominate Vicki Williams as the new Chair, second and approved.
- Motion to nominate Eric Olivas as Vice Chair, second and approved.
- Motion to nominate Dorothy Woodward as Secretary, second and approved.

b. Dispatch and Reporting Recommendation

We found that officers are being dispatched to calls that are not police related; for example, moving a trash bin or fence is too high. Given APD staffing, we are asking the City of Albuquerque to educate the public of other resources to phone or report non-emergency issues. (311 and 242-COPS are numbers for non-emergency calls.)

Motion to adopt this recommendation, second and approved.

Q: Can Police Service Aide's be put on buses?

A: Yes.

c. Radio Sit-along Recommendation

This recommendation proposes re-establishing the radio communication sit-along for incoming recruits as part of their mandatory on the job training requirements.

Motion to adopt Radio-sit Along, second and approved.

d. Neighborhood Watch & Safety Advocates annual report – Penny Hoe, Chair

- NWSA's goal is to provide resources to NE residents, build mutual trust between the community and APD, and encourage more residents to become block captains.
- Presently, we have a zero budget and we do have expenses, but APD has helped with speakers. As far as locations, we have found places where we do not have to remit fees, such as churches.
- During 2018, we meet 6 times and we attended other meetings such as the Mayor's Town Hall and the CPC Summit
- We have a meeting scheduled for March 20th at 6:00 pm. (Please speak with Penny Hoe for more information.)

e. CPC Summit update – Vicki Williams

During the December CPC Summit, compliance was the main topic. The Independent Monitor's Report 8 was released in November. We are almost 100% in primary compliance and 33% in operational. There were some recommendations and suggestions to reframe CPC for opportunities to standardize templates for minutes, annual reports and recommendations. We all agreed we need to be more collaborative among CPCs of area commands. We are looking to scheduling a meeting on January 26 for the CPC members. Another suggestion was to meet every other month to give us an opportunity to look at different venues.

Comment: Reducing the number of meetings may cause reduction in public attendance.

Comment: What I would suggest is, if you meet every other month, still have this space booked so people from the community can still come. This way, that month you do not meet, everyone in the audience can speak freely and talk about issues in neighborhoods.

f. Ordinance update - Eric Olivas

Not a lot has changed on the ordinance from the last meeting. Five of the 6 CPC have voted and passed it.

4. APD Presentations – Commander Burke

We are working to start staffing officers for the Problem Response Team. We have about 50 applicants for the crime prevention specialist right now, and we are still going through them. We

hope that by mid-February we have new hires. NE has been quite busy due to the holiday period. There have been some police shootings, but we are moving forward.

a. Crime Report

- Auto burglary: 163
- Auto theft: 106
- Commercial burglary: 50
- Residential burglary: 57
- Aggravated assault: 65
- Rape: 7
- Robbery: 24
- Homicide: 0
- Shooting: 6
- Traffic stops: 884

In December there were 13 Use of Force: 3 serious use of force, 2 show of force and 8 use of force.

Q: It seems like we have had a rash of mailbox theft. Are people being arrested?

A: It has not been a huge impact in the NE that I know. I will have to look more into it.

5. Presentation – Guest Speaker: Crimes Against Children (Lt Barker, Detective O’Brien, Sergeant Perry)

Currently we have 10 detectives in our Crimes against Children unit. Unfortunately, we now have 8 active detectives and we are always on call. We look to add more detectives; our goal is 15 or more in our unit. What we deal with includes: physical/sexual abuse, medical neglect, and child homicide. We deal with parents, guardians and caretakers who abuse children. You would be surprised of how much of this happens daily. We receive about 1200 reports per month. If you see any abuse happening, you can call #SAFE to report. When children are taken to the hospital, we do have specialty doctors at UNM called CARTS. CYFD is always contacted when a report is made, whether it is minor or not.

Q: 1200 reports a month and the officers have to do all of those?

A: Yes. If they fall into our criteria, we have to follow up on all of them.

Q: 1:17

A: 3 types of calls.

Q: Do detectives receive training regarding how best to communicate with children that are being abused?

A: Yes, every officer is trained at the Academy.

Q: Did Arkansas pass a law in regards to this or did they just make it priority?

A: They did not make a law or pass it; they just made it a top priority because it was so bad.

6. Adjournment

Adjourned 8:15pm

Acronyms:

CPC: Community Policing Council

PSA: Public Service Announcement

APD: Albuquerque Police Department

NE: Northeast

CARTS: Child Abuse Response Team

CYFD: Children, Youth & Family Department