Foothills

Community Policing Council

Minutes

February 11, 2019

1. Call to Order – Joe Abbin 6:00 pm
   Council present: Justin Hadrych-Rosier, Trish Singh, Mickey Hagg, Carmon Ryals and David Barbour
   Absent: Mark Burton
   Approximately 31 attended from the public, 7 from APD

2. Introduction of Council, APD Representatives, and Visitors

3. Review/amendment/ approval of Agenda
   Motion to approve agenda, second and approved.

4. Review/correction/ approval of January minutes
   Motion to approve minutes, second and approved.

5. Speaker: Bill Riordan, “Mediation as a Tool for Dispute Resolution”
   - Has been in law practice for 60 years
   - 2000 mediations from automobile accidents
   - Most doctors do not like seeing patients who have been in car accident because they do not like to be called to go to court as a witness, since it has become a big problem over the last years

Q: Mediation is a step below court?
A: Mediation is below court, it gives the parties the chance to communicate with each other privately and try to come to terms.

Q: What are your thoughts on restorative justice?
A: Each side has a different opinion.

Q: Any formal training for mediation?
A: No, I do not have any formal training for mediation. My experience as a lawyer and a judge is my primary qualification for mediating.

Q: What about labor disputes?
A: That is done with the federal agency.

Q: Any website people can go on to know more about mediation?
A: Yes, there are a tone of site people can go on, you just have to look up “mediation in Albuquerque”. The only problem is that, it is not always up to date.

NM Mediation Association: https://newmexicomediationassociation.org/

6. APD Presentations
   a. Review of Foothills Property Crime Report from Lt Shawn Garrett
      - Robberies/Commercial: 6
      - Robbery/Residential (Home Invasion): 1
      - Robbery/Vehicle (Car Jacking): 2
      - Stolen Vehicles: 67 +6 ‘warm up’ auto thefts (73 total)
      - Residential Burglaries: 51 entering via doggie doors, garage doors, breaking doors and windows, leaving windows unlocked, sliding glass door, former tenant with keys. Vacant apartments and homes are also being targeted.
      - Commercial Burglaries: 20
      - Auto Burglaries: 81 (leaving vehicles unlocked, breaking windows, damaging locks)

Q: Is that an official policy to take pictures of your insurance, registration, and driver’s license?
A: In Albuquerque, if you are stopped, we will accept a picture of insurance on your phone, however you do need to have your license and registration with you to show the officer. We just recommend you take it with you so it is not stolen.

Q: NE has been having people steal custom rims from cars, do we have that issue here in the foothills?
A: I have not seen many issues of that down here.

   b. Review of Foothills Violent Crime and Use of Force Reports
      A total of 10 use of force were reported
      - 3 Show of Force
      - 6 Use of Force
      - 1 Serious Use of Force

   c. APD Community Outreach Reports/ other news
Commander Lowe from Compliance Division: Per CASA we have to provide reports to CPCs, we have just assigned a commander to each of the CPCs to start attending and give brief reports related to CASA.

Q: Is the current CASA on the website?

There are 344 paragraphs within the settlement agreement. We are currently on IMR-8, we are 99.6% in primary (policy) compliance, 75.4% secondary (training) compliance, and 59.2% operational compliance. We are having our entire Use of Force revised, we will be starting to train at the academy. The Independent Monitor is Dr. Ginger, and he has 17 members that work with him and they each specialize in something related to the paragraphs. We have Dr. Rickman who is mostly involved in the community outreach. We have changed almost everything we do, our entire bureau is new, and Deputy Chief Eric Garcia oversee everything in the Compliance Bureau. The DOJ came in because of the Use of Force cases.

This is the highest we have been in compliance, we are working hard to improve from how we were in the past.

7. Pulse of the Neighborhoods – Brief reports from CPC member and citizens

Comment: Starting to see many of the homeless around Juan Tabo (Hobby lobby and Twisters). I know there is not much we can do, but there are homeless with needles and stealing items from the stores. I think we need more police patrol around that area.

Comment: More panhandlers on Juan Tabo

DC Eric Garcia: DC Medina is projecting we will have 950 officers by June

Q: How many officers are there?
A: Just in the Foothills area command, we have 83 officers.

Q: Average response time on crimes?
A: I would have to reach out to our specialist to get the correct information on that.

James Lewis: Mayor’s office has gotten volunteers to access and evaluate -our homeless situation.

8. Status of Recommendations from FH Community Policing Council Members and Citizens – Chris Sylvan

19-03: ABQ Blues – it was accepted by Chief Geier and they will be distributed to the Commanders.

Other two recommendations are still needing to be reviewed by an SME.
9. Adjournment

Adjourned 7:30 pm

Next meeting: March 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Acronyms used:

CASA: Court Approved Settlement Agreement
CPC: Community Policing Council
IMR: Independent Monitor Report
IMT: Independent Monitor Team
DOJ: Department of Justice
DC: Deputy Chief