Northeast Community Policing Council
September 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order – Chair Vicki Williams – 6:40 pm
Council present: Dorothy Woodward, Brennan Williams, Troy Taylor, Cassandra Morrison

Council member Ane Romero presently attending Citizens Police Academy.

Note: Power outage in area. Meeting moved to balcony of Room 5.
Approximately 28 attended from the public, two from APD

2. Old Business
   a. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda
      Motion to approve the agenda, second and approved.

   b. Review/amendment/approval of Minutes
      Motion to approve the minutes, second and approved.

      Chair Vicki Williams: Review the history of anonymous recommendations made by community members. Since Feb. 2019, eight (8) recommendations have been submitted for consideration by APD chain of command.

3. APD Presentations: Sgt. Dain Symes
   b. Use of Force: August 2019. 1 serious; 2 shows of force; 0 tactical activations; 7 uses of force. 10 total uses of force.

   c. Recruitment: Lt. David Saladin, APD Training Academy Instructor: Upcoming class: 59 tested for academy, 4 lateral transfers, 30 Police Service Aides (PSAs). As of August 2019, 57 cadets are due to graduate in March 2020. Two (2) cadets classes start in January 2020.
4. **Presentation – Guest Speaker**: Brian Blalock, Secretary, NM Children, Youth and Family Dept.

Mr. Blalock emphasized attention to five (5) needs of CYFD to better and more broadly serve affected children.

A. How do we keep children safe? The first person responding to child abuse call-outs usually is a law enforcement officer. It is best when both an officer and social worker arrive at same time.

B. We need resources and services for our children. Presently, the state has no community-based mental health resources for children.

C. A stronger family system is needed. (We need all the grandmas.) It is better for children to be placed with relatives rather than in an institution.

D. Better data. Better decisions. This means working with NM CAN, a resource partnering with young people to: build community, promote equity, and lead change. CYFD database is written in Cobalt and half of that data should updated by spring 2020.

E. How do we listen to children who cannot speak for themselves?

5. **Adjournment**: 7:35 p.m. Power not restored. NDBMC staff requested we swiftly exit the building for safety reasons.