Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council

Minutes of the Meeting

Monday 2 November 2015  6:00pm – 7:50pm
Holiday Park Community Center
11710 Comanche Road NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111

1. Call to order—Carolyn Wilson, Chair
   The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm, with a quorum present.

2. Introductions of Members and Visitors
   Members and guests introduced themselves, including Bernalillo County District 5 Commissioner Wayne Johnson and his assistant Tito Madrid.

3. Review/approval of agenda
   The Agenda was approved unanimously as presented, on a motion by Brosveen, seconded by Layden.

4. Review/approval of minutes from October 5th meeting
   The Minutes were approved unanimously as presented, upon a motion by Brosveen, seconded by Abbin.

5. APD Communications—
   a. “Snapshot” of Area activities
      Lt Middleton presented the monthly crime report from Foothills Area Command. As has been noted previously, many of the burglaries and auto robberies are preventable—not leaving doors and windows unlocked, not leaving keys in the vehicle, etc. [Monthly report appended]

   b. Reports from Celina Espinoza
      As of the last meeting of the CPC, there was a change in availability of police reports; reports would be available only at the downtown headquarters. Celina reported that this policy has been changed—reports will be available at substations as soon as clerks are trained in the proper procedures for redacting confidential information. This should be completed by the end of November. Traffic accident reports are currently available (for $7 each) online at https://ecrash.lexisnexis.com/.

      DOJ is in Albuquerque, reviewing progress attained by APD in the first 3 months following the Settlement Agreement. She noted a difficulty in completing the report, as the monitor had not yet been put in place. She also noted that the media reports might seem negative, given that the implementation of the Settlement Agreement had just begun.
[Dianne Layden mentioned a public meeting to review progress, sponsored by Councilor Diane Gibson on Thursday November 5th, presenting the DOJ Monitor and APD and City officials.]

Celina noted that receipt of Recommendations from the Council to APD are to be acknowledged within 15 days, responded to within 45 days and (if accepted) implemented within 60 days.

On the question of staffing, she said that a plan for increasing the number of officers is to be in place, while the implementation takes more time. Currently, there are 40 cadets in training. The January class has 17 so far, with more recruitment and testing to come.

6. Bernalillo County Commissioner Wayne Johnson—preliminary planning for Mental Health initiatives

Commissioner Johnson opened by noting that most of his County district is in the City. The increased gross receipts tax will result in approximately $20 million to be used to address the needs of persons with mental illness. The challenge is to create a comprehensive plan, without rushing to spend on piecemeal programs. He said that neither the City, nor the County—or even the State—has the funding and capability to address the needs alone. Rather, he and others are considering the model developed in Tucson for a Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA), to oversee a comprehensive program that encompasses not only Bernalillo County but also Sandoval, Torrance and Valencia. Such a coordinated effort can address effective use of resources to stabilize and serve those in need, without undue duplication of effort or gaps in care. The RBHA would funnel money and other resources, but not provide services. Additional funding is available through ACA (“Obamacare”) and Medicaid. The planning effort includes providers, consumers, citizens and politicians. A private company has been contracted to help create a comprehensive plan based on the “Tucson model. The Albuquerque Bernalillo County Governing Commission is a possible way to get people together.

7. Recommendations
   a. Revised Recommendation 9

   Based on the information provided by Commissioner Johnson, Doug Brosveen promised further to revise Recommendation #9 and present it to the Council in January for consideration.

8. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—reports from CPC members and Neighbors

The President of the Willow Wood HOA reported that their area has been plagued with crime and cut-through traffic. He reported that mail has been stolen. Lt Middleton said that mail theft is an ongoing problem and encouraged the use of secure mailboxes or Post Office boxes.

9. Other business
   a. Review of membership in CPC

   1. Not having been in attendance at CPC meetings since June, it was determined that Jesus Casillas is effectively no longer a member of the panel. (Guidelines VIII.2: A member may be removed after missing two consecutive unexcused meetings.)

   2. Chair Wilson told the assembled members and visitors that the Council is seeking additional members. Celina repeated that application for the Council is to be made online (http://www.cabq.gov/mayor/police-outreach/community-policing-council-application).
She will facilitate the initial background review. Following that review, the Council will conduct an interview to determine the suitability of a potential new member. Celina introduced Sabrina Slauson, who is interested in joining the Council and would represent youth concerns in the community.

10. Set draft agenda items for next meeting:
   No draft agenda items were forthcoming at the meeting.

11. Adjournment
   The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

   Next meeting:
   Monday 7 December 2015  6-7:50 pm  Holiday Park Community Center

Comments or questions:
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ATTENDEES

CPC Members:
Joseph Abbin
Douglas Brosveen, Vice-Chair
Dianne Layden
Ryan Trujillo (absent)
Carolyn Wilson, Chair

Philip Crump, Facilitator
APD FAC representatives:
Lt Rob Middleton

APD Community Outreach:
Celina Espinoza

Visitors and Neighborhood representatives:
Randall Dudley, Eldorado Heights NA
Melline Jullens
Deborah Williams, Neighborhood Watch, Phoenix/Marie Park
Armando Lara
Megen Blackburn  Juan Tabo Heights NA, Secretary
Mehreen Naqvi-Sherazee  JTHNA, Vice-President
Jeff Gluth
Wayne Johnson, District 5, Bernalillo County Commissioner
Tito Madrid, Comm Johnson’s office
Sabrina Slauson
NJ Almodovar, ECNA
K Nicolaedis, APD
Donna Chavez, JTHNA
Jonathan Hollinger, President, Willow Wood HOA

SUBMITTED:  READ AND APPROVED:
Philip Crump, Facilitator  Carolyn Wilson, Chair
Crime in the Foothills Area Command: October 2015

**Property Crime Snapshot**

**Armed Robberies to Businesses:** 6 (discount stores, fast food and a 24-hr restaurant)

**Robbery to an Individual:** 4 (hotel room entered with key, one at busy intersection, one at ATM along busy intersection at pre-dawn hour, apartment parking lot pre-dawn)

**Robbery/Residential (Home Invasion):** 0

**Car Jackings:** 0

**Stolen Vehicles:** 65
- Unforced: 15 of 65 (left unlocked, windows down)
- Vehicles stolen with keys: 7 of 65
- Vehicles left running & unattended while stolen: 4 of 65
- ‘Warm-ups’ are 100% preventable crimes and so are leaving vehicles unattended with keys inside.

Where: apartment complex parking lots, driveways, side yards, front yard, side of freeway, tow yards, construction yard, single-family homes, gas station while putting air in tires, pizza parking lot (left overnight), shopping center, gym parking lot, storage unit facilities, school, restaurant (victim clung to side of vehicle driven by offenders, injured).

**Commercial Burglaries:** 13 (nail salon, hair salon, same storage yard hit multiple times, apartment storage unit, pizza shop, body shop/automotive, plumbing/heating, laundry facility, bingo hall).
Starting to see wire theft cases again in the Foothills.

**Residential Burglaries:** 46 (plus 3 sheds owner declined to file police report)
- Forced entries: 19 of 46
- Unforced entries: 19 of 46 (via windows and doors left open)
- Remaining number unknown at time of research.
  - Vacant homes targeted; foreclosed home had unauthorized resident.
  - Open garages, open windows, unsecured doggie doors are being targeted; lock your property up!
  - Vehicle burglarized and led to subsequent stolen vehicle and residential burglary.
  - Two cases where residents asleep inside during burglary.

**Auto Burglaries:** 104
- Forced Entries: 39 of 104
- Unforced Entries: 33 of 104 (unlocked, unrepai red broken window, etc.)
The rest were not noted at time of research
- Auto burglaries with attempts to steal the vehicle: 16 of 104
Seeing uptick of vehicles broken into parked at trail heads, 1 at a church (may see more as holiday services increase at worship centers).

**Articles stolen in the Foothills in August from vehicles:**
- Multiple sets of vehicle registration/insurance papers and personal items
- Multiple driver’s Licenses, Passport, SS Cards, medical information
- Multiple military IDs, shotgun shells, vest, other various military equipment
- Back pack with multiple government IDs
- EMT/life-saving equipment, bag of medical equipment
- 5 firearms, BB Gun, holster, box of 22 caliber bullets, hunting knife, hunting bow and arrows
- $200 cash, $113 cash, $1200 cash in envelope in center console, $1,000 cash and various other amounts of cash
- Multiple wallets and purses with contents (money, IDs, Soc Sec cards, etc); duffel bag, back packs, briefcases, credit cards, debit cards, garage door opener, opener to gated community’s entry gate, birth certificate, multiple drivers licenses
- Mexican license plate
- Multiple sets of tools, flashlights, camping gear, emergency kit
- Sword, multiple knives
- Multiple iPads, cell phones, DVD players, CDs, stereos, 5 vehicle batteries, front bumper, phone chargers, stereos
- Walking cane, jewelry, make up
- Clothing, gum, bag of laundry/dirty clothes, water bottle

**STOP LEAVING WEAPONS IN UNATTENDED VEHICLES**

**Resources – Things to Know About:**
- Next “Workshop Wednesdays at the FH” – Holiday Crime Prevention topic FULL. Commander Rodgers will be special guest to talk about Holiday Tactical Plans in the Foothills for the holiday season
- Will offer more Workshop Wednesdays at the FH in 2016

Watch [www.foothillsareacommade.com](http://www.foothillsareacommade.com) and nextdoor.com for notices about workshops. Fliers will also be posted in the FHSS lobby about 2-3 weeks before each workshop.