Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council

Minutes of the Meeting

Monday 5 October 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 6:07 pm, with a quorum present.

2. **Introductions of Members and Visitors**

   Members and guests introduced themselves.

3. **Review/approval of agenda**

   The Agenda was approved as presented, on a motion by Abbin, seconded by Layden.

4. **Review/approval of minutes from September 14th meeting**

   The minutes were approved as presented.

5. **APD Communications**—

   a. **“Snapshot” of Area activities**

      Lt Middleton presented the monthly crime report from Foothills Area. 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]

      Lt Middleton also related incidents in which residents noticing “something strange”
      happening in the neighborhood and reporting this to APD resulted in arrests when several
      such calls alerted the commander to potential criminal activity and sent officers to the
      area. The message is that suspicious activity should be reported even if it seems minor.

      In a change of practice, crime and traffic reports will be available only downtown, not at
      substations. Also, persons interested in the *Workshop Wednesdays* should be aware that
      they fill up quickly. [http://www.foothillsareacommand.com/events-calendar/]

   b. **Reports from Celina Espinoza**

      Celina was not able to attend the meeting.

6. **Recommendations**

   a. **Revised Recommendation 9**

      Joe Abbin is obtaining information on the implementation of funds accumulating due to
      the increase in gross receipts tax set aside for mental health services. The tax was
      approved by voters without a clear implementation plan; Dianne Layden pointed out that
      the implementation plan was created after funds became available. That plan will have an
impact on how APD and other agencies will provide mental health services. The recommendation #9 was not reviewed.

7. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—reports from CPC members

NE CPC Chair Annie Onderdonk reported on the informal meeting of CPC members held Saturday 3 October, at the Albuquerque Police Academy. Along with Chief Eden, fifteen CPC members attended, representing all six councils. It was noted that the only two recommendations brought forward have come from Foothills CPC.

The attendees discussed organizational issues and outreach. In particular, it was suggested that small businesses be represented on the councils, as they are area stakeholders as well as residents. (Lt Middleton said that the Albuquerque Retail Assets Protection Association functions in a manner similar to the CPCs, representing small business interests to the Department.) The question was raised as to whether there is a small business association within the Foothills Area Command. In any event, officers are directed to make contact with business, to develop contact between the businesses and APD and to determine the needs of the businesses.

Another suggestion was that the Office of Neighborhood Coordination could assist in publicizing the CPCs through the monthly Neighborhood Newsletter.

One member spoke of suspicious activity around a recycling center on Juan Tabo. Another related having made contact with the new security chief at Greenbriar Townhouses Cooperative.

8. Other business

a. Use of Neighborhood Association list to publicize CPC and APD

b. Review of membership in CPC

9. Set draft agenda items for next meeting:

Action items include:

Develop a proposal to reinstate provision of reports at substations rather than only downtown. Review several avenues for filling the empty positions on the CPC, including determining whether previous applications are still extant, utilizing the District 8 Coalition or Neighborhood Association mailing list, or developing a press release to publicize the CPCs city-wide. Coalition Chair Janet Butts reported that they meet the 4th Thursday of every other month at Holiday Park Center and that members are welcome to attend.

By November, develop a recruitment plan for councils, including contact with all CPC chairpersons to determine if other councils have vacancies. Request that Celina write an Op-Ed piece for the Journal or television release, seeking members from the general public.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 pm.

Next meeting:
Monday 2 November 2015 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center

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ATTENDEES

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

APD FAC representatives:
  Lt Rob Middleton

APD Community Outreach:
  Celina Espinoza (absent)

Visitors and Neighborhood representatives:
  Randall Dudley     Eldorado Heights NA
  Janet Butts       District 8 Coalition
  Melline Jullens
  Annie Onderdonk   NE CPC, Chair
  Armando Lara
  Megen Blackburn    Juan Tabo Heights NA, Secretary
  Mehreen Naqvi-Serazee  JTHNA, Vice-President
  Jeff Gluth

SUBMITTED:  READ AND APPROVED:

[Signature]     [Signature]
Philip Crump, Facilitator    Carolyn Wilson, Chair
Crime in the Foothills Area Command: September 2015

**Property Crime Snapshot for month of September**

Robberies to Businesses: 6 (juice bar, gas/convenience stores, discount store, hotel)

Robbery to an Individual: 3 (Manzano HS student in east parking lot along Chelwood Park Blvd; person walking to work at 0545 hr at Eubank & Chico, female at ATM at Juan Tabo/Central)

Robbery/Residential (Home Invasion): 0

**Car Jackings:** 5

- Victim gave ride to stranger, stranger put gun to victim’s head and stole vehicle.
- Dropping off friend at 0430 hr at apt and stranger approached and put gun to victim’s head and ordered out of the vehicle and stole the vehicle.
- Victim sitting in vehicle at intersection and approached by male with gun.
- Cab driver attacked by female with cast iron pan; arrest made.
- Car sale robbery around 0100 hr, crashed into third party’s home.

**Stolen Vehicles:** 62

Multiple big SUVs, a 4 wheeler and a dirt bike stolen over Labor Day weekend.

- 8 vehicles stolen with keys; keys stolen in residential burglaries/thefts, or by criminal family members/caretaker.
- 14 stolen from apartment parking lots, 1 from college, 2 from fast food lot, 3 from motels, 2 from restaurant near Eubank/I-40, 1 from auto repair shop, 2 from tow yards, 1 from rental facility, 1 from discount store, 1 from parking lot when owner left keys in ignition and vehicle running and got out of car to walk over and ‘look at something’; the rest from single-family homes.
- Trend of employee vehicles targeted at busy restaurants near high traffic arterials.
- 1 victim jump-starting the vehicle and left it running to walk away and the vehicle stolen in 5 min. time frame.
- Watch for vehicles stolen while left running and unattended when weather changes. NEVER leave a vehicle running and walk away.

**Commercial Burglaries:** 13

Sandwich shop, private school/church, apartment leasing office, apartment laundry rooms, storage facilities, tow yard, coffee shop under construction, insurance office, ice cream shop.

- Apartment office’s entire set of duplicate keys to units, residents’ personal files, DVR/remote all were taken during a burglary.
- Saw first copper wiring theft from commercial property in a long time this month.

**Residential Burglaries:** 47

Forced entries: 19

Unforced entries: 23 (doors and windows left unlocked, garage doors left open, unrepairsed sliding glass door with broken latch)

Unknown at time of research: 5
Vacant homes were among those targeted this month (owners gone or homes for sale)
Screens being removed by offenders to access open windows at back of homes

**Auto Burglaries:** 81
**Forced Entries:** 33  **Unforced Entries:** 27
**Undetermined:** 21 (not noted at time of research)
Of the 80, 16 were attempted auto thefts after breaking into the vehicle.

**Articles stolen in the Foothills in August from vehicles:**
- Fully loaded 9MM and extra magazine of ammo
- Fully loaded 9MM with 3 clips and carrying case
- Two 22 caliber pistols and a knife
- Military equipment, body armor, gun and holster, rain gear
- Restricted area access badge, armored vest and gas mask (from unlocked vehicle)
- Bottle of natural gas stolen from work truck bed
- Multiple purses and wallets, briefcases, back packs
- Multiple IDs, SS cards, dr licenses, personal information, credit cards, cash
- 4 vehicle registrations/insurance papers, garage door opener (used to enter garage)
- Vehicle manual, vehicle parts, lug nut key, multiple stereos, amps, radio, stereo,GPS units, batteries, CDs
- Multiple keys to home and other vehicles
- 12 separate sets of tools, 1 set of electrician’s tools, nail gun
- Multiple laptops, iPads/tablets, cell phones, cell phone chargers, musical instruments, college text books, baby stroller, golf bag, skateboard, bb glove, several hundreds of dollar’s worth of gaming equipment

**Things to Note from September’s Property Crimes:**
Auto theft: continuing to see vehicles stolen with keys (lost keys, stolen keys, keys entrusted to others).
Saw holiday weekend trend of stealing ATV/4 wheeler, dirt bike, big SUVs/4 W drives.
Residential burglaries: mostly forced entries through back of home vs. front door TVs, laptops, firearms, jewelry, Xboxes stolen during residential burglaries
Seeing trend of attempted auto theft committed while burglarizing the vehicle.

**Resources – Things to Know About:**
- Next Foothills Crime Prevention “Workshop Wednesdays at the FH”
  - 5:30 once a month on a Wednesday for one-hour crime prevention lesson
    - October 21: Crime Prevention for Women: FULL / waiting list
    - Filled within 48 hours
    - November 18: Holiday Crime Prevention

Will be posting about Workshop Wednesday at the Foothills workshops on:
- www.foothillsareacommand.com
- nextdoor.com
- fliers in FHSS lobby
- Opening up to sign-ups about 2-3 weeks prior to each workshop.

Citizen filmed the Crime Prevention for the Home workshop on 9/23 to post on YouTube: link is https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLE4VZVhqFJP8WgqOu-sRFsVTOzmxRrfvQ
Posting link on nextdoor.com FH section and on the FH web site.