



Northeast
Community Policing Council
Minutes
November 13, 2018

1. Call to Order – Eric Olivas 6:35 pm

Members Present: Vicki Williams, Dorothy Woodward, Ane Romero, Brennan Williams, Cassandra Morrison

Absent: Troy Taylor

Approximately 40 public members. 9 APD

2. Old Business

a. Review Agenda

Motion to approve, seconded and approved.

b. Review Minutes

Motion to approve, seconded and approved.

3. New Business

Chair Eric Olivas will be stepping down as Chair in January.

January meeting: Anticipate guest speaker from CYFD or Crimes against Children.

4. Committee Reports:

a. Community Outreach – Vicki Williams

Committee has been active in 2018: Neighborhood association meetings, National Night Out, CPC presentation to Northeast Area Command shifts, District Coalitions, Mayor Town Hall, CASA status conferences, Compliance Bureau, POB, and APD events. 2019 outreach plans: Engage faith and youth communities.

b. Rules and Operations – Dorothy Woodward

Committee is reviewing/revising guidelines, applicant qualifications and interview process.

c. Recommendations – Brennan Williams

Presently, the committee is working on a recommendation to improve/modify incoming reports to APD Dispatch, specifically those that are non-police issues.

d. Policy Review – Ane Romero

A policy review of APD use of body cameras will take place in January

5. Report from APD on Crime and Crime Prevention – Commander Burke

Numbers are down in crime in NE; however, that will likely increase during the holidays. Be aware of your surroundings. According to Independent Monitor's report, APD is in secondary compliance. We are working on our Mission and Vision statement. Previously, only officers have given input for improvement, but now we are performing external focus groups for community involvement and feedback. We have started moving forward to write an improvement draft. CASA is working and we are moving forward and making process.

6. Presentation and Social Time: Northeast Area Field Officers

Officer Andrew Ramkowsky– 2 years with APD – bike-patrolling day shift

Officer Amanda Marquez - 1 ½ years with APD

Officer Chris Poccia – 10 years with APD – field service, sector 41

Officer Justin Rogillio -7 ½ years with APD - graveyard shift

Q: Are most homeless people in parks nice?

A: Most homeless suffer from mental illness. We always discuss on how we can approach them, but every situation is different when dealing with homeless people.

If you find needles in the park, please call 311 and someone will come to handle it.

Q: With the 60-day legislative session soon to begin, are there any rules or laws that you would like passed to make your jobs easier?

A: Enhancement on repeat domestic violence offenders. We are struggling with how best to handle homeless issues. We try to get them more resources and let them know where they cannot be and that they make some people uncomfortable.

Q: What would you recommend about kinds of resources you need but don't have now?

A: We used to have a domestic violence victim advocate who would help those victims. We do not have that position anymore due to lack of funding. And vacant positions remain closed.

Q: Are the advocates sworn?

A: No, they are civilians.

Q: If we want to donate, does the union allow you to?

A: 311 would be the proper resource and they can give you options of where you can donate.

Q: With murders/violence against children, what has changed in the training?

A: We respond to at least 20 calls a shift in regards to child abuse. There is plenty we can do on our end. We can take them out of the house and then we get CYFD involved.

Q: What's your favorite part of your job?

A: Officer Ramkowsky: Changing someone's opinion about getting help, whether it is medical, mental illness, etc. I like to interact with the people and let them know we are all different

Officer Poccia: The best part for me is when you catch a really bad person and arrest them.

Q: What would you like to see from APD leadership?

A: Real leadership at the academy.

7. Adjournment

Adjourned 8:15 pm

Acronyms used:

CPC: Community Policing Council

CASA: Court Approved Settlement Agreement

POB: Police Oversight Board

CYFD: Children, Youth, and Family Department