MEETING MINUTES
NORtheast AREA COMMUNITY POLICING COUNCIL
TUESDAY, May 8, 2018
6:30 PM
NORTH DOMINGO BACA MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER
CLASSROOM 5
ALBUQUERQUE, NM

Voting Members Present:
  • Dorothy Woodward
  • Tom Ehrhorn - Secretary
  • Eric Olivas, Chair
  • Brennan Williams, Vice Chair
  • Ane Romero*
  • Troy Taylor
  • Vicki Williams
  • Cassandra Morrison
*Arrived Late

Voting Members Excused:
  • None

Voting Members Absent:
  • None

APD Personnel Present:
  • Commander Joseph Burke
  • Chris Sylvan, Community Policing Council Manager

There were approximately 37 members of the public in attendance.

6:32 Call to order/Welcome - Eric Olivas

Old Business:
Consideration of agenda and April 2018 meeting minutes
  • Motion was made to approve the agenda and the minutes; the motion was seconded and approved.

New Business:
Committee Reports:
- Rules and Operations Committee is focused on the CPC guidelines, especially the process for becoming a voting member of the CPC. The committee will also look at how meetings are set up, the agenda, community feedback, etc.
- Recommendation and Resolution Committee will revisit previously submitted recommendations to make certain they have been adequately resolved. After those have been addressed, the committee will consider new recommendations.
- The Community Outreach Committee had no report but many outreach activities are in progress.
- The Policy Committee is still awaiting input from Interim Chief Geier as to which policies are the most important to review.

Report from APD on Crime and Crime Prevention in the NEAC – Commander Joseph Burke
- Commander Burke presented the monthly crime statistics.
- Commander Burke emphasized that community members need to “make themselves a harder target.” Utilize the Northeast Area Command Crime Prevention Specialist, Sharanne Press to get guidance on how to improve your home and make it less inviting to burglars.

Guest Speaker:
Angelo Metzgar – Safe City Strike Force
- The Strike Force deals with homeless camps, nuisance properties, and demolition of vacant homes.
- There are currently two people assigned to the Strike Force, Angelo Metzgar and an inspector.

Small Group Sessions:
- The large group was divided up into four small groups which were aligned to the four CPC committees, viz, Rules and Operations, Community Outreach, Policy, and Recommendations. Each group included at least one of the committee officers. The groups were briefed on the role of the committee and were invited and encouraged to offer suggestions as to how the committees might better fulfill their roles in supporting the entire community policing objective.
- A scribe from each small group shared a summary of their group’s discussion:
  o Rules and Operations: Introduced the community to the Council’s guidelines and invited community input. Spoke about the Citizens’ Police Academy and the requirements to be a voting member of the Community Policing Council.
  o Community Outreach: Talked about ideas for the community to reach out to APD. We need to publicize our meetings more and perhaps develop an online presence (social media). We want to bring police officers into the community more (coffee with cops, badges and bagels, VIN etching, etc.). Interact with Neighborhood Watch groups who are willing to be the eyes and ears of APD. Reach out to the mayor to initiate a citywide campaign about crime (reduce crime, get involved – it’s not an APD problem, it’s a community problem).
o Policy: Took 10 steps back and decided we are going to connect with Deputy Chief Garcia to determine what policies Interim Chief Geier would like community input on. Consider a Policy 101 training session so everyone is on the same footing on the policy process before the reviews begin. Next step is to work with Mr. Lewis and those folks who might be providing Policy 101 training.

o Recommendations: Discussed the need to submit the previous recommendations again or not. (Bicycle recommendation) outreach recommendations on the community outreach concerning what that job is and how this individual should do this job. Guide what kind of outreach that they are doing on our behalf. We think there is need to go back to the position and how we can get the word out using the community outreach position and we need to move on to the next higher fruit. CPA recommendation and it sounds like a good program and the members of the CPCs to be involved in. Ways to increase community support and community interaction. How to get the community to come to the department and the department to come to the community. More publicity out about the CPCs and the good of the department. We do have a recommendations meeting on June 2nd, at 2pm Erna Fergusson library.

Adjourn
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.