



Minutes of the Northwest Area Community Policing Council

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center

900 Kachina St NW

Albuquerque, NM 87120

1. Call to Order

Chairperson, Eric Jackson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. (MST) on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson Eric Jackson

Vice-Chairperson Victor Chavez

Sgt. Dennis Tafoya

Sgt. Shawn Casaus

STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Celina Espinoza, Communications and Community Outreach Director, APD

Mr. David Gold, Facilitator, Office of Diversity and Human Rights

2. Approve Minutes

Mr. Jackson's motion to approve the February 26, 2015 minutes passed unanimously.

3. Approve Agenda

Chairperson Eric Jackson's motion to approve the agenda for April 8, 2015 passed unanimously.

4. Matters from the Public

None

5. Old Business

CPC's Are Not Held To Open The Meetings Act

Ms. Espinoza explained that CPCs are not held to Open Meetings Act. The meetings are required by the DOJ settlement agreement. But since the CPCs make recommendations, rather than active policies, it does not fall under the jurisdiction of the Open Meetings Act.

This means that:

- Robert's rules of order are good
- It's OK to meet without a quorum.
- Less structure is needed.
- Meetings should still be noticed, but is not mandatory.

Facebook Pages

Ms. Espinoza said we can create own Facebook page, but is better done as a CPC.

Reaching the Community

Council members discussed how to reach out to the community. Ideas included:

- Invite block captains.
- Try reaching out to businesses including Cottonwood mall and Sagebrush church.

6. Crime Report

Sgt. Dennis Tafoya discussed crimes in the area.

There was a homicide about two weeks ago. A truck drove and knocked over wall. The guy was shot 5 times in the face. He was at a park, and drove across the field. It was possibly a drug deal gone bad. The door was open, and the shell casing inside.

More homeless and drug deals are moving this way. In the valley, there are some who fight for intersections. There is a supposedly disabled man who is actually acting, and ties his legs up.

7. New Business

Possible Resolutions

The following topics were discussed as possible resolutions to be considered at the next meeting. These included:

1. Break down shifts. Try to find information about how officer's time is used in shifts. This related to the cost of having officers drive across town to buy gasoline.
2. The bid next month. There are only 360 officers, but the city is transferring extra officers in temporarily, to meet the requirement to have 400 officers.
3. Getting statistics from the call center about times to respond to different levels of priority calls.

4. Getting true staffing and manning numbers. For example how many are at the courthouse or in administrative positions.
5. What are the different priority levels and how what are the times for a response. (This is possibly covered by 3)

Change Of Meeting Date

The council decided to move the next meeting date from May 13 to May 6, to accommodate members schedules.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairperson Eric Jackson reminded everyone of the next Regular Meeting of the Council on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Don Newton Community Center. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

SUBMITTED:

READ AND APPROVED:

Mr. David Gold
Secretary to the Board

Mr. Eric Jackson
Chairperson of the Board