



**Northwest Area Command Community Policing Council  
MINUTES  
September 19, 2018  
4900 Kachina St NW,  
Albuquerque, NM 87120**

**1. Call to order by Eric Jackson 6:07 pm**

Member Present:

Eric Nixon, Jill Greene, Tom Borst, Yolanda Sanchez, Harold Pope and Catherine Trujillo.  
39 member of the public attended, 4 of them are APD

**2. Agenda**

Motion to approve Agenda, second and approved.

**3. Minutes**

Not at this time.

**4. Area command Update – Commander Olvera**

- NW we have increased car stops.
- We want to make a statement that “Speeding” will not be tolerated, you will be stopped.
- Every month we will conduct with the day care, there will be a theme every month. We want to give kids a positive experience and make sure they know they can count on us.
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be having a coffee with a cop.

**5. CPOA/POB Update**

Ed Harness –

We have our next meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>. We are still in the process of reviewing the Use of Force, we are still awaiting the supervisor. Two Use of Force 2-56 and 2-57 are on hold because 2-52 was first and needs to be adapted. Next Thursday city council will be holding a study session on noon. Public will be able to attend and give input. The monitor team will be in town the first week of November. The presentation to Judge Brack will be December 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. It can change if 2-52 gets delayed.

APD is soliciting a new Vision / Mission, there is a survey online you can take to give brief feedback.

## **6. Presentation – Bernalillo County Mental Health Initiative**

### **Margarita Chavez**

- Together, the City of Albuquerque and Bernalillo County have approved more than \$19 million in annual allocations for Behavioral Health Initiative project.
- There is a man power issue, both in APD and BHI, but there is a process to this and it does not happen overnight. We have a community engagement team and right now it is a model and basically what it is, it's a team engaging with citizen with mental health issues.
- Mobile Crisis Team are scanning and queue up to calls that seem suspicious.
- Most homeless cannot take medication because they do not have a place to sleep, we are trying to find housing and make sure they are able to take medications. There is couple of options that we can offer, one is A.O.T (assistant outpatient treatment) and it is a program where there is treatment and it typically includes inpatient stay. There was a bill that was approved in NM, since then the City of Albuquerque has been vetting a pilot project and collaboration with UNM and district courts to implement A.O.T. It has not happened yet, but it is in the process. There is no penalty for not attending the treatment.

Q: Are you putting these people back on the street?

A: Depending on their state, if they are not well we take them to UNM hospital to Psychiatrist services.

- UNM doesn't just have a psychiatrist ward but it also has emergency services for those who are cycling in the system.
- If you would like to know more in regards to the A.O.T, Arizona has a great system in the works and we are trying to do what they have done.
- There is a re-entry center where inmates who are released for prison or detention center, can walk through and be able to get services and have a safe place to stay.
- We have to teach people there are other numbers to call other than 911 when it comes to homeless or mental health citizens. Just because they are talking to a wall does not mean they are a threat.

Q: You had mention there is a money sent tax, is the \$14 million enough?

A: No, what we have done is we have a couple of million bucks to spend and there are proposal in the works and are being vetted, but the \$17 million is like a drop in the bucket. We are working on getting pressure on the state to maximize our spend on

Medicaid. If we can get the state to flip that and reimbursed those expenses then we can repurpose those dollars into other programs.

- In most places, case management is covered by Medicaid but not here in NM. If that changes, we can repurposes those dollars into housing for the homeless population.

Q: There is people doing laundry in people's property (using the sprinklers), are we supposed to be calling APD or you?

A: Requesting a mobiles crisis team would be what I would recommend to do, you still have to call 911 but they will dispatch mobile crisis team.

Q: How does the general public know who to call?

A: We have information on the county website and there is a resource in NM you can call. It is for all mental health.

**(1-855-662-7474)**

Q: If you call 911 and they do not think it's an emergency, do they know with who to transfer you too?

A: In Bernalillo they are able to transfer the calls. It is coming to the city, it is just a little complicated.

Q: To increase funding, who do we need to speak to?

A: You would have to speak with the City Counselors.

For more information, you can go to their website <https://www.bernco.gov/health-and-public-safety/behavioral-health.aspx>.

## **7. Old Business**

### **a. Review of Recommendation Status**

Chris: You will see it posted soon.

A recommendation you guys put in, is on hold right now due to funding.

## **8. New Business**

### **a. Presentation idea – Crimes Against Children**

We are looking into this to see who can come out speak out on talk about the issues.

## **9. Matters from the public**

- K-9 meet and greet with Bernalillo County on Friday at 5:30 – 7:30 pm they will be at the Rio Rancho Walmart by Unser and on Saturday it will be 11:00 – 1:30 pm they will be at McDonald's on McMann near Unser.
- We have made a Facebook page.

Next meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>, will be having Judges from Metro Court coming to talk about what is happening and the issues they are dealing with and what the community is dealing with.

No meeting in November due to Thanksgiving.

### **10. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned 7:07 pm