

COBB NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY COMMISSION

Minutes of August 19, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM

Members in attendance: Joe O'Laughlin, Larry Green, Joel Cope, Pearle Roberts, Vicki Plunkett, Lance Lorusso, Trish Steiner

Public Safety Report

- Police department improvement plan
- Positions to be filled in 2015 budget
 - 3 Police Captain
 - 1 Crime Analyst Coordinator
 - 1 Animal Cruelty investigator
 - Senior Crime Scene Tech
- SPLOST will include vehicle program for some police officers to have cars to take home.
 - The cars last 7 years with take home cars versus 3 for sharing cars.
- The complete Cobb County Police Department Improvement Plan will be emailed to NSC members.
- Recruiting at military bases for potential police officers
- Cobb will continue to match individuals to the community they are serving.

Committee Reports

Elder Abuse:

- No new report

Active Shooter:

- No new report

PENS:

- No new report

Community Awareness Committee:

- Joel Cope reported that he September Panel Discussion will be Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM. The topic will be Gang Activity. Panel members will include DA Mike Carlson, Police Sgt. Tim Plunkett, and Six Flags Recreational Coordinator and Facility Manager for Cobb Government Leslie Walker

Old Business

- Corrections to the June minutes, add Joe O'Laughlin, Pearle Roberts, and Joel Cope as attending June meeting.

- Vicki Plunkett reported on the Precinct 1 lunch with Captain Jeff Patellis attended by Johnny Brown, Vicki Plunkett, Trish Steiner and Karen Hallacy.

Security Cameras Committee Report

- Stu VanHoozer chaired the July 29, 2014 meeting with NSC members Karen Hallacy, Larry Green, Johnny Brown, Joel Cope and Trish Steiner attending.
- After a discussion NSC members voted at the August 18, 2014 NSC meeting that NSC will not advocate or promote the neighborhood security camera initiative.
- Information will be on the NSC website to contact the police department or PENS for information on neighborhood security cameras.

New Business:

- Joel Cope reported on the Public Safety Block Party to be held October 18, 2014 at 2400 Favor Road from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
 - Joel asked NSC members to sign up to help prior to the event and the day of the Block Party.
 - NSC will have a table. Police, fire, animal control, EMS, food, face painting, and other entertainment will be available.
 - Food donations or gift cards would be greatly appreciated to provide the hot dogs and hamburgers for the individuals in the Osborne area attending the Block Party.
 - Notify Joel, if you can help with providing food.
- Lance Lorusso reported that FedEx Corporate Headquarters via a letter thanked Wellstar for their excellent care given to the shooting victims.

Next NSC meeting will be September 16, 2014 in the 4th floor conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 AM.

Minutes written by Trish Steiner