

**Neighborhood Safety Commission
Monthly Meeting
September 15, 2017**

Present:

**Carl Demare
Bob Corn
Glenn Melson
Trish Steiner
Carol Massey
Joel Cope
Larry Green
Jeff Wood
Karen Hallacy**

Quorum was present for business

Minutes for June 2017 were put up for adoption and passed.

Minutes for August 2017 were put up for adoption and passed

Sam Report

Same will meet with Glenn, Bob, Joel and Karen in order to make recommendations for adjustments to our rules in order to ensure compliance

Media tries to show negative things

Had a Boot drive for Hurricane Harvey to help fire fighters in Houston and police collected supplies for Houston

Met with Kathy M and EMA to discuss prep for Irma. Thinks we had a good response.

Very fortunate we had less of a storm in Irma

18 officers activated from National Guard

Worked with GSP team

Worked to help in Camden County. Dennis Thayer sent there too

Animal Control planned an evacuation

Fire has a pick up truck with chain saws to go around County to help clear some trees

No one brought up any animals from outside to the animal shelter

No one really came to the senior centers

Incident involving police officer - Chief Register came to swift and decisive action.

Dash cam video - Abbott controversy

No investigation before the video of Lt. Abbott went public

Chief Register notified Director Heaton of the video while Heaton was out of town.

No way to review all of the dash cams. They are spot checked

Attorney went to the media with the dash cam video.

Dash cam video can be obtained via an open records request

Thinks Chief Register is doing a good job

So much good stuff that officers are doing and it never goes public

Elliott shooting - bad situation. Looks terrible

Elliott situation involves a criminal investigation

Policy matters take a different amount of time to investigate than a criminal matter

Heaton said that police and fire use sarcasm and humor to deal with bad situations

Doctors and nurses have offbeat humor said Carol

Bob asked of there being decompression to help officers deal with stress and Chief Register is working on this. Meant to be a peer process

Bob asked as to programs to identify PTSD in police officers. Tough to ID. Sam said historically, officers claimed to be tough and that they could handle the stress. County offers EAP now.

Budget for 2018 is still being worked on. Storm changed the original schedule for this

The BOC is going on a retreat together soon

Budget for 2019 and 2020 should be interesting

Sept 30 Truckapalloza at Town Center to raise

Oct 2 Chamber Public Safety breakfast

Oct 7 Make A Wish run

Oct 9 Public Safety Golf Item

Glenn talked of how Carol has speakers

Carol Massey has introduced speakers from SafeAmerica program related to safety
Mary Lou and Lynn Pagano

Lynn talked of how Allison Carter and Mike Register are on their Board

Started in Cobb 23 years ago from a Travellers program where he used to be an executive

Went from here to LA to Greensboro

Travellers encouraged him to create his own foundation and Travellers promised it would continue to contribute money

Mission - focus on new emerging issues

Worked with Coast Guard on water safety

Worked with FEMA on Quake Smart

Since 9 / 11 he has worked on this. Wanted to help people to get ready for emergencies

He felt like more should get involved personally

Starting a new program to make everyone a first responder and to expand on that knowledge

They have partnered with Verizon and Motorola and Wellstar

They are working on active shooter training

They conducted a briefing before members of Congress and at the WTC

At the Capitol, they rolled out a safety app for school buses with the high school kids from North Clayton HS having worked on this

Mary Lou stressed how they are Cobb citizens and go to church here and raised kids

They have worked hard in high schools to promote safe driving

They hold Brain Camp with Delta

They work in the high schools with safety

Lynn Pagano resumed speaking

Cybersecurity is an area with the upcoming conference in October 2017

He mentioned some work to be done with the NSC on some apps and maybe having events at Safety Village

Karen Hallacy offered her card as the President Elect of PTA to partner with his group

Glenn asked them to speak about the opioid crisis

Lynn has partnered with CDC and how this will be a topic in the conference

Glenn pointed out how Bob and Carlton are interested in this, for the NSC

Bob asked for one of their cards to connect

Opioid Committee report

Community Awareness

Panel on homelessness

Complex issue

Bob is working on some of the newer devices

Sam said that Ross Cavitt will be the new Communications Director for Cobb

Meeting adjourned at 937 am