

CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 26, 2004

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Crime Prevention Committee at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Chairman McGill called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the New Berlin Public Safety Building.

Present: Marilyn McGill, Debra Weber, Dawn Sievert, Officer Dan Hanlon, Roger Wilde, Alderman Ken Harenda, Shirley Mueller, Joe Zientek, Ralph Heun, Kathleen Hoffmann Mayor Ted Wysocki and Alderman John Hopkins. Bill Sullivan arrived at 7:20pm, do to he was unable to access the meeting room.

Excused: Bill Mech and Mike Frederick

MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Zientek to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2004 meeting as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Hoffmann and carried unanimously.

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- None

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

- Alderman Harenda introduced our new Council liaison Alderman Hopkins.
- Officer Hanlon said we had a new group joining on Saturday and a second one in the wing. We also had 5 or 6 people who expressed interest on Safety Saturday.
- We had a request for window decals again and Officer Hanlon will check on costs.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SIGN

- No requests at this time.
- We do have more "KEEP KIDS ALIVE" signs available

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Balance is \$1,064.96. We have a donated amount to the Committee of \$1,000.00.

OLD BUSINESS

- Officer Hanlon thanked everyone for a big effort at Safety Saturday. There was discussion on the day and suggestions for retaining or improving things we do to make each year a success and a real benefit to citizens and visitors alike, as we continue to bring them new and pertinent information on safety and crime prevention in a versatile, fun for the kid's atmosphere, that provides something of interest for everyone.
- We will keep the third Saturday of May as our Safety Saturday.
- Commissioner McGill talked to vendors who wanted to come again next year. Vendors are very enthusiastic.

- ❑ Being located away from the Target building was an improvement on being out of the way of traffic.
- ❑ Having numbers at each vendor's area was really helpful for vendors and our workers.
- ❑ We should have signage outside of Target so shoppers coming out of the store would know more about what was going on and where we are.
- ❑ We could move tall and wider vehicles closer to Moorland Road so tables, etc. would be more visible.
- ❑ Booths with generators were noisy areas for others who are there volunteering their time. See what can be done about this.
- ❑ Bike helmets very popular. Some said they would like them sized... some suggested sharing bike safety with kids – we could maybe do a 10 minute video.
- ❑ Work on publicity – try to get TV stations involved.... raise money for cause was an idea.
- ❑ Mayor Wysocki said the day had a good focus on the community and thanked everyone for their work on this project.
- ❑ Chairman McGill thanked the Mayor for attending again this year as he usually does to support community programs.
- ❑ Commissioner Hoffmann will send out “thank you” letters to all of the participants of this year's successful Safety Saturday.
- ❑ Discussed using the City Website and will invite Catey Barnish to attend our next meeting to give her input.
- ❑ Commissioner Sievert reported that she has a confirmed date of August 28th, 2004 for our Saturday Jewel Cook-Out. We get to pick our time slot, which will be at 10:30 am until 4:00 pm and only need to bring grilling utensils.
- ❑ Alderman Harenda inquired whether we are still considering DNA kits for New Berlin kindergarten students and it was agreed that this was still an interest of ours.
- ❑ Discussion on working on recruiting for Neighborhood Watch this summer with our 4-district plan. Academy Alumni would be good source for area leaders. Need to get elderly people involved. GIS mapping will be a great tool as it becomes more available for our use.

NEW BUSINESS

- ❑ None

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 23, 2004 at the New Berlin Public Safety Building.

Motion by Commissioner Weber to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Sievert and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Mueller
Secretary