

# Minutes

## CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

May 22, 2002

Chairman McGill called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m. at the New Berlin Public Safety Building.

Present: Chairman McGill, Officer Hanlon, Ralph Heun, Marie Elliott, Debra Weber, Ken Harenda, Joe Zientek, Roger Wilde, William Sullivan and Mayor Wysocki.

Excused: Deborah Reardon, Elizabeth McMullen, Shirley Mueller and Bill Mech.

### I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Comm. Heun to approve the minutes from the meeting held on April 24, 2002. Seconded by Comm. Elliott and carried unanimously.

### II. FILM:

#### *City Watch for a Safer Community*

An automated telephone system used to call area residences & businesses for crime alerts, hazardous spills, severe weather etc. Discussion led to questions about cost. Officer Hanlon will look it further

### III. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Officer Hanlon will be following up with 10-11 requests received on Safety Saturday. Roger Wilde suggested that group meetings with the Neighborhood Captains be held semi-annually. Comm. McGill stated that for the past couple of meetings the turnout has been minimal. Roger Wilde also suggested that we recruit Senior Citizen's to assist us in promoting the Neighborhood Watch in area's of the City where there aren't any groups.

### IV. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SIGNS.

No new requests.

### V. TREASURER'S REPORT

\$425 was paid out for Children's & Volunteer's meals at Target. The money that was paid out was taken from the \$2,000 WE Energies donation. A receipt was submitted by Comm. Weber to pay for the inflatable bouncer for \$212.30.

### VI. OLD BUSINESS

Ideas & suggestions were voiced regarding improving Safety Saturday. Comm. Harenda suggested we have a plan for moving indoors due to inclement weather. Comm. Heun stated that the Explorers were told they had to sell their fundraising candy bars outside of Target. He felt there should have been a plan for that due to the weather. Comm. McMullen felt that there should be clear plastic bags instead of the Target bags to discourage any pilfering and that any signs being posted should be larger making it more legible. Would it also be possible to advertise the event with a billboard of some sort on Moorland Road prior to the event.

Mayor Wysocki suggested that we consider moving Safety Saturday to the first Saturday in June next year. Comm. McGill felt this would have to be put to a vote. He also suggested that the Crime Prevention Committee had their own separate table for such items as Neighborhood Watch.

50 Keep Kids Alive Drive 25 signs were handed out per Comm. Harenda.

100 Bike Helmets were given out free of charge by the Police Department. The Officers doing did an awesome job.

High School volunteers did a wonderful job. A very special thank you to WE Energies for their \$2,000 donation and the Ranger Ted Program. Overall, it was felt that Safety Saturday went very well.

Discussion of the USA Freedom Corp-Volunteer Citizen Corps was deferred to the next meeting since Bill Mech was not present.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

Vigilance - New Berlin is taking heightened measures to protect the water and utility sources. Officer Hanlon discussed that the Police Department is working with area Apartment Managers on being alert to possible threats and how to handle these situations.

Kmart is requesting Kid Care ID, Police and Fire Department presence for their Grand Reopening scheduled on June 1 and June 8, 2002. He requested volunteers who he can contact when more information is available.

Mayor Wysocki suggested that we offer t-shirts to the Neighborhood Watch Group Captains when they come to the next scheduled meeting.

It was also suggested that each Committee Member receive an ID. Card.

Ken Harenda is the Aldermanic representative on the Committee.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 26, 2002 at the New Berlin Public Safety Bldg. Ralph Heun is excused from that meeting.

Motion by Comm. Zientek and seconded by Comm. Harenda to adjourn at 8:01 p.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Comm. Marie Elliott and Comm. Debbie Weber