



MINUTES OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

March 10, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

El Cerrito City Hall

Hillside Conference Room –second floor
10890 San Pablo Avenue

Roll Call

Members in Attendance: Randy Calish, Gene Go and Catherine Krueger.

Absent: Mollie Hazen and John Umemoto

City Council/Staff in Attendance: Councilmember Lyman, Lt. De La Campa, Sgt Cliatt and Suzanne Iarla.

1. Council / Staff Liaison Reports

- Councilmember Lyman reported on recent Council activities including the City's projected budget shortfall.
- Staff Member Iarla shared information about upcoming events.
- Lt. De La Campa made a brief presentation about the "False Alarm Ordinance" that the Police Department is proposing to the City Council.
- Sgt. Scott Cliatt reported on recent Police Department activities including special DUI enforcement efforts, new Officer Gutierrez, and Chief Kirkland receiving an award.

2. Comments from the Public

None.

3. Minutes

Adoption of the February minutes was moved to the next meeting.

4. Discussion and Planning for Activities in 2010

In light of the resources available, Chair Calish proposed the CPC focus on National Night Out (NNO) and postpone the Neighborhood Watch Informational Meeting set for March 22 and cancel the Bicycle Safety Rodeo set for May 22.

Moved & carried (Krueger/Go) to move the Neighborhood Watch Informational Meeting to a date TBD in the fall. Unanimous.

Moved & carried (Go/Krueger) to cancel the Bike Rodeo on May 22 and incorporate some bicycle safety activities in the NNO Sign-up event on July 17th. Unanimous.

5. Planning for National Night Out (NNO) on August 3, 2010

Iarla presented information on the First 5 Contra Costa "Family-Friendly Community Grant" to support Night Out activities for young children and their families. Chair Calish said Hazen offered to attend an information session for grant applicants; a grant subcommittee of Krueger & Hazen (alternative: Calish) was formed to work with staff on the application.

6. Membership

No new applicants.

7. Communication Report (including Neighborhood Watch/Home Security Report)

Chair Calish said the Neighborhood Watch meeting on Elm Street went well and thanked Officer Albrandt; the neighborhood would be interested in 8 signs for their area.

Staff provided Chair Calish with a copy of correspondence from A. Richie.

Chair Calish asked if there would be any opportunity for citizen participation as part of the selection process for the Chief of Police position.

9. Adjournment

Moved & carried (Go/Krueger) to adjourn at 8:41pm. Unanimous.