



MINUTES OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 9, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.

El Cerrito City Hall

Hillside Conference Room –second floor
10890 San Pablo Avenue

Acting Chair Takimoto called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Roll Call

Members in Attendance: Eugene Go, Marty Takimoto, Nicholas Arzio, Bruce Yow

Members not in Attendance: Catherine Krueger, Linda Jolivet : Arzio left after Item 1.

City Council/Staff in Attendance: None / Lt. De La Campa

1. Approval of Minutes:

Moved and carried (Takimoto/Yow) to adopt the June 11, 2014 meeting minutes after a modification to item 4 (c) (Unanimous).

2. Council / Staff Liaison Reports:

Lt. De La Campa spoke about NNO registrations and the venues in which the event has been publicized, city newsletter, and online. He said there were no notable crimes this month which generated media attention. Member Takimoto said he saw an article about NNO on www.NextDoor.com from a local reporter and said he would forward it to the membership.

3. Comments from the Public

No members of the public attended the meeting. But Member Go offered the services of his grandson's Cub Scout Troop with any CPC Projects needing more people to help.

4. Discussion of Crime Prevention Committee Activities for 2014:

- a) 25 groups signed up for NNO as of now. Member Go will come to the PD and take photos and will then go out with a group to visit NNO Events with City Staff. Lt. De La Campa told the group that NNO will be on the Council Agenda for July 15 and invited members to attend that meeting. Member Go said he will go and will take a NNO Banner for a photo opportunity.
- b) Member Go and Lt. De La Campa spoke of the July 4th event. Go spoke about the brochures that were being given away.
- c) The whistles have arrived. Some were handed out at the meeting. They'll be replacing magnets as give-aways at public events. Maybe a card about calling 911 can be added. Lt. De La Campa will put 6 of them in each NNO Host's bag. The postcards are still being reviewed by City Hall staff and have not been approved yet.

- d) Lt. De La Campa showed the group samples from our Crime Prevention inventory and a typed out inventory (See Below*). There was discussion about making new materials and Lt. De La Campa pointed out that it is easiest for the PD to purchase these supplies as needed. Member Takimoto offered to help if needed.

He also proposed the idea of a citizens' survey as to what means of crime prevention are most important to El Cerritans. He may put together an online survey and Lt. De La Campa could send it out via www.NextDoor.com.

5. Membership:

Member Go spoke to many people at July 4th event about the CPC but did not get anyone to commit to joining. He also inquired about the Citizens' Police Academy and stated that he may be interested in attending, as he had discussed it with Member Yow, an alum of the program.

6. Communication Report (Including Neighborhood Watch / Home Security Report.)

Member Go reported one voice mail from a person in Illinois who had questions about crime in EC as they may be moving here. Lt. De La Campa reported two emails received, one from the same person. Member Takimoto inquired about the Commissioners' Dinner, which Members Go, Yow and Lt. De La Campa attended.

7. Adjournment

Moved and carried to adjourn at 7:53 PM.

*Inventory Report of Crime Prevention materials:

About 75 "Neighborhood Watch Program" pamphlets
2 boxes of "Keeping Your Child Safe" booklets
1 box of "Making Your Home A Safer Place" booklets
About a half box of "Elder Care Decisions" booklets
And 2 boxes of "Protecting Your Identity and Personal Info" booklets.