



MINUTES
OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, July 12, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Hillside Conference Room – second floor
10890 San Pablo Avenue

1. Call to Order:

Committee Chair Mollie Hazen called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

2. Roll Call:

Members in Attendance: Chair Mollie Hazen, Vice Chair DeClue, Member Takimoto, Member Yow, and Member Jolivet

Members not in Attendance: Member Arzio and Member Go

City Council/Staff in Attendance: Cpl. Brian Elder

Guests/Members of the Public: Cordell Hindler, Jim Dolgonas, and Rosa Esquivel

3. Approval of Minutes:

Chair Hazen pointed out a misspelled word in section 4 that was noted and corrected.

Moved and carried to adopt the amended version of the June 14th 2017, meeting minutes as written.

Aye: Unanimous

Nay: None

Abstentions: None

4. Council / Staff Liaison Reports:

Cpl. Elder informed the committee members that the reward for information with leads to the capture and prosecution of those responsible for the murder of Jim Gilliland has increased to \$100K. A press conference was held at City Hall earlier that same day announcing the increase as well as a billboard that will be erected near the Oakland Coliseum on Interstate 880.

5. Comments from the Public:

Cordell Hindler brought information about Neighborhood Watch bylaws. Mr. Hindler and Vice-Chair DeClue have identified a time to meet regarding outreach to HS students. Mr. Hindler also suggested the Eagles Hall in El Cerrito as a possible location for NW meetings.

Rosa Esquivel told the committee that they did a great job with the event on July 4th.

6. Discussion of Crime Prevention Committee Activities:

- a) Neighborhood Watch/ NNO Outreach Subcommittee updates (Arzio/Go/Takimoto/Hazen)
 - Member Takimoto suggested that the committee begin to develop goals and strategies regarding NW groups. Committee also needs to speak with PD to ensure goals/strategies can be supported. Member Takimoto also suggested dividing the current subcommittee into two separate subcommittees.
- b) Crime Prevention Educational Materials Subcommittee (Takimoto/Jolivet/Hazen)
 - Member Takimoto talked about the development of a new informational handout regarding joining the CPC. This is available to hand out during future CPC events. An informational post card is still being developed.
- c) El Cerrito Police Department Nixle blotter (Jolivet)
 - Member Jolivet has not yet drafted a recommendation for the committee to review.
- d) National Night Out event Tuesday, August 1st 2017 Subcommittee (Go/DeClue/Hazen)
 - Chair Hazen the NNO event and talked about her prior work on the event. Cpl. Elder provided an update regarding the status of the promotional items that had been ordered to be distributed during NNO. The members of the committee when around the table and described what involvement they would have with the event.
- e) July 4th World One Festival Update (Hazen)
 - Member Hazen told the committee that approximately 20 people signed up to start a Neighborhood Watch program in their community. The CPC had whistles and pamphlets to give away at the CPC booth. Chair Hazen also had a sheet for questions and received a question about the requirements for to have a NW sign erected. Member Takimoto indicated that there is no current requirement and that the issue needs to be addressed by the subcommittee in the form of a proposal regarding the formal/informal framework of the NW groups.

7. Membership:

Community Member Rosa Esquivel has attended 3 regular CPC meetings and has submitted an application to join the CPC as a full member. The CPC members in attendance at the July meeting endorsed Mrs. Esquivel's application for membership.

8. Communication Report (Including Neighborhood Watch / Home Security Report):

Cpl. Elder indicated that there were no email or voice mail messages for the committee.

9. Adjournment:

Moved and carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.