

APPROVED
Village of Wesley Chapel
Safety Committee Minutes

April 3, 2013

Meeting Location: Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church
120 Potter Road
Wesley Chapel, North Carolina 28110

Attendance: Marty Kohlmeier, Karl Schneeberger, Becky Plyler, Jim Dale, Tess Morris

Absent: Carol Mullis, Hank Pressley and Chauncey Bowers

Guests: Deputy A. J. Mainero, Cheryl Bennett

Minutes:

1. With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Tess Morris. The meeting agenda was adjusted to accommodate AJ's schedule which accounts for the slight change in the format of these minutes.
2. Contract Deputy
 - a) Working on an indecent exposure case involving an incident from February and the previous Saturday. It is thought to be tied to a similar incident in Blakeney because of similarities in reports of the car model and make.
 - b) The Target parking lot has become the scene for illicit activity such as drug exchanges. The prior Tuesday night was the latest occurrence.
 - c) Retail crime is taking a considerable amount of AJ's time (3 shop lifting cases in the past month). The top 3 spots for retail crime in Wesley Chapel are reported to be Market Express, McDonald's and Target. It is estimated that 30% of his time is spent in the vicinity of Target.
 - d) Wesley Chapel's deputy is the second busiest after that of Indian Trail.
 - e) The contract deputy zones have been expanded recently, contributing to the additional work load.
 - f) When viewing the response times for reported incidents in Wesley Chapel, it's important to note that the fire, deputy and sheriff response times are all in line with where they should be; EMS/ambulance is not so good. Contributing to a reduction in response times is the fact that there are a number of rookies in training because of retirements and voluntary departures from the force for higher paying jobs.
 - g) Wesley Chapel does not have an ordinance addressing false alarms. It is agreed that one is needed.

- h) The business contributions by Aston and JDH in 2011 and 2012 (\$10,000 per annum) has expired. Given the crime in the area and the protection provided by AJ, it is not viewed as unreasonable that Aston and JDH be approached for a continuation of funding. A figure of \$25,000 per annum was suggested. It was also noted that Council must approve prior to the businesses being approached for funding.
 - i) AJ will, beginning with the June 5th meeting, provide the Safety Committee with a monthly recap of activities/highlights.
 - j) We are investigating the possibility of an e-mail link to AJ.
 - k) Heritage Fest will have deputy coverage. The Explorers were also contacted to assist.
 - l) There are going to be Explorer classes this summer conducted by AJ. He is seeking approval to offer these classes in the Fire Station.
 - m) The annual cost package of \$82,000 for contract deputy coverage is the Wesley Chapel portion after the county removes it's contribution. This amount covers the salary, benefits, sheriff's car and other related expenses.
3. Questions for Cheryl
- a. Are the Explorers covered under AJ's personal time or is that time part of his hours with Wesley Chapel? To be investigated because there is some concern/confusion on this point.
 - b. The School of Government attorneys will be contacted to discuss the 501C-3 arrangement with Park and Recs due to the possibility the 501C-3 is managed as a subset of the Park and Recs committee by the same members.
 - c. Procedures, policies, audits and legal representation. Good business practice is to review all of these periodically with changes in vendors common every 3 to 4 years. Karl again stressed the comments made at the annual retreat dinner regarding governance so complacency does not set in. Good governance should be the guideline to ensure segregation of duties where feasible and warranted and to reduce the risk exposure for the Village and its employees.
4. National Night Out
- a) It is noted that this event is a Village event, not a Safety Committee event.
 - b) Cheryl has offered to assist/facilitate where possible.
 - c) Additional displays being considered for this year's event include the proper way to put a child in a car seat; a larger FBI presentation/display; perhaps CPI security.
 - d) A discussion was held on the Village versus HOA responsibilities and liabilities in terms of this annual event.
 - e) There will be a special meeting of the Safety Committee held on May 1, 2013 for NNO planning purposes.
5. Review of the Village Retreat

- a) All who attended felt the retreat was very good
 - b) The village recognition dinner was also favorably received.
 - c) One key point raised during the retreat is that ordinances should not go back and forth with no resolution, over and over and over and over.
6. New Business
- a) Speed limits on Indian Trail Waxhaw. Any change to the current speed limits is in the hands of the NCDOT.
 - b) There are again concerns about parking capacity at Dogwood Park since the church across the street from the park never committed to allowing parking for those using the park facilities.
 - c) The 2013 regularly scheduled Safety Committee meetings are currently scheduled to be held May 1, 2013 (special meeting); June 5, 2013; July 10, 2013; September 11, 2013 and November 6, 2013. All will start at 7:00pm and are currently scheduled to be conducted at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.
7. The next meeting will be May 1, 2013 at 7:00pm at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.
8. Minutes from the February 6, 2013 meeting were approved with no corrections.
9. Meeting adjourned at 9:42pm, motioned by Karl Schneeberger and seconded by Marty Kohlmeier.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karl Schneeberger
Recording Secretary