

APPROVED
Village of Wesley Chapel
Safety Committee Minutes

September 14, 2010

Meeting Location: Fellowship Hall of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church
120 Potter Road South
Wesley Chapel, North Carolina

Attendance: Tessie Morris, Karl Schneeberger, Councilwoman Kim Ormiston, Chauncey Bowers and Donna Pasquita

Absent: Hank Pressley and Carol Mullis

Guests: Rick Morris

Minutes:

1. With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.
2. Minutes from January 14, 2010 and July 13, 2010 meetings were reviewed and approved.
3. Committee/Members
 - a) Carol Mullis was on vacation so we were unable to officially welcome her to the committee; tabled until the November meeting.
4. Special Project Discussions: Crime Statistics and Contract Deputy
 - a) Updates from Chauncey Bowers regarding new crime statistics/data. Do we need to review the crime stats given we have learned that not all crime reports are recorded in the Union County Sheriff's website? Yes, we do. To that end, we need to look at the data for 2010. The 2010 data will then become our baseline.
 - b) Chauncey will contact deputy A. J. Mainero to secure for us the Wesley Chapel crime statistics. It is suggested that the same report pulled in 2008 is the report used for the 2010 stats: "Event List With Report Numbers."
 - c) The village council requested a comparison of the crime statistics for surrounding communities, highlighting what the crime rates were pre- and post- contract deputy. Kim will contact Sheriff Cathy to secure the crime statistics for Weddington and Indian Trail.
 - d) Based on the Five Year Master Plan, the earliest the village will have a contract deputy is mid-2011 if the new village hall construction comes in under budget. Otherwise, 2012 is feasible.

5. Special Project Discussions: National Night Out
 - a) The Thank You letters and certificates of appreciation need to be completed, signed and sent to all recipients as soon as possible. Kim will draft the letters/certificates for all to sign.
 - b) Kim expressed her appreciation and thanks to the Safety Committee for a successful event.
 - c) The raffle raised \$109 and Target donated \$250.

6. Special Project Discussions: Safety Committee Attendance at the Fall Festival
 - a) The date of the Fall Festival is Saturday, October 2, 2010. The hours of the event are 9:30am to 3:00pm. Karl can work in the morning; Donna in the morning unless she is working. Tess will be out of town but will check with some others who have expressed an interest in volunteering for the village.
 - b) Volunteers are needed from the Safety Committee to staff the Safety booth.
 - c) Suggestions on what to provide at the Safety booth include Community Watch handouts, How to Protect Your Home pamphlets and similar flyers.

7. New Business
 - a) A concerned resident e-mailed Tess regarding the possibility of having a traffic light installed at the intersection of Antioch Church Road and Weddington Road/Highway 84 due to the difficulties and volume of traffic impacting left turns from Antioch Church Road onto eastbound Weddington Road. It was also noted that similar traffic back-ups occur at the intersections of Weddington Road with Lester Davis Road and Diehl Road. There was also an e-mail to Tess regarding the difficulties of exiting the Price Mill subdivision onto Weddington Road/Highway 84 since the start of the school season at Wesley Chapel Elementary. Contributing to the back-up is that the only entrance/exit for the school property is off/on Weddington Road/Highway 84 just west of the Weddington Road/Potter Road intersection. It was noted that we should invite a speaker from the North Carolina Department of Transportation to a future meeting to discuss these issues.
 - b) A flyer was circulated to neighborhoods reminding residents of the need to be aware of their surroundings and to be observant following a break-in at a Blackstone residence. Golf clubs were stolen while the owner was placing their trash out for collection.
 - c) Kim was contacted by UCNLF (Union County Neighborhood Leadership Forum) asking if Wesley Chapel would be interested in participating as well as hosting a meeting sometime during the first two weeks of November. UCNLF encourages the establishment of HOA's, supports HOA's and endorses community watch programs. The organization is funded through membership fees charged to participating HOA's.
 - d) Update on the Waxhaw-Indian Trail firehouse. Sewer capacity is the hold up at this time. In order to secure approval, it's been recommended that the size of the proposed facility be reduced or wait until the upcoming commissioner elections result in a new Union County Board of Commissioners.

- e) Review of Scott Shew's comments about the current Wesley Chapel call volumes not supporting the establishment of an EMS facility. Once the call volume does support a Wesley Chapel EMS it will be time to pursue and push for funding.
- 8. The next two meetings: November 9, 2010 at 7:00pm and January 11, 2011 at 7:00pm. The meetings will be conducted at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karl R. Schneeberger
Recording Secretary