

APPROVED
Village of Wesley Chapel
Safety Committee Minutes

September 25, 2012

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

Attendance: Marty Kohlmeier, Karl Schneeberger, Becky Plyler, Jim Dale, and Tess Morris,
Chauncey Bowers, Hank Pressley

Absent: Carol Mullis

Guests: None

Minutes:

1. With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.
2. Minutes from the July 16, 2012 meeting were not completed in advance of this meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the June 12, 2012 minutes as presented.
3. Committee Members
 - a) Brief discussion on the recruitment of new members.
 - b) Chauncey Bowers' status was reconfirmed as a full member.
 - c) Council has advised that lack of attendance for three consecutive meetings can result in removal from the Committee. It is understood that membership is on a voluntary basis and employment and family matters need to be considered.
 - d) Council has also commented that meetings cannot be canceled at the last minute. This was challenged as weather and other extenuating circumstances can dictate a last minute cancellation.
4. National Night Out Follow-Up
 - a) Tess thanked everybody for their commitment and devotion to making the night a success.
 - b) All materials have been returned to Village Hall.
 - c) A motion was raised, seconded and passed that the surplus water will be donated to the rescue mission in Monroe.
5. Special Project Discussions - Deputy

- a) What are the crime statistics? In what areas are you seeing the crime and in which categories?
 - b) Is it possible to have a year to date comparison for all reported crime in the Village since December 1, 2011?
 - c) Reporting should capture all reported incidents as well as those incidents to which a response occurred and for those in which a report was not filed.
 - d) Deputy Mainero was invited to the meeting but due to the short notice was not able to attend.
 - e) During discussions it was noted that there were 20 fewer reported crimes between June 2012 and July 2012.
6. Special Projects Discussion - Gun Ordinances
- a) There was a brief review of ordinances in place in other villages and towns.
 - b) The gun ordinance in Waxhaw has been in place since 1941. Within the towns corporate limits, firing of guns is prohibited.
 - c) Weddington's is virtually a copy of Wesley Chapel's or vice versa. Both restrict the firing of guns within 150 feet of structures which seems to be consistent with State statutes.
 - d) Wesley Chapel's noise ordinance is apparently covered under the Union County nuisance ordinance.
 - e) We need to review the state laws that are in effect as it has been mentioned the Wesley Chapel gun ordinance arose from opposition to proposed Village regulations.
7. Special Projects Discussion - EMS
- a) Request land to be donated for Union EMS.
 - b) A readily available template for the land proposal could not be found.
 - c) Scott Shew advised Tess that his funding had been cut.
 - d) Any proposed building design would have to include a kitchen and showers.
 - e) Coverage in the southern part of the County has been impacted due to units being pulled to cover other areas.
 - f) It's possible the Wesley Chapel proposed facility would be known as a drop point, meaning a person may be physically located at the building but an ambulance may not be readily available due to coverage requirements.
8. Safety Committee Charter
- a) The Charter was returned to Tess because of a page misalignment due to differences in Word versions. The alignment was fixed and the Charter re-released to Cheryl and Becky.
9. New Business
- a) Change of the speed limit signs on Waxhaw-Indian Trail Road near the fire station. Why were the speed limit signs changed back to 45mph? Becky will also address with Council.
 - b) It has been requested that members of the Safety Committee make a concerted effort to attend Council meetings and/or Council workshops. The

next Council meetings are October 8, 2012 and November 12, 2012; the next work shop sessions October 16, 2012 and November 20, 2012.

- c) Signed and framed certificates of appreciation for the businesses participating in National Night Out will signed by Tess and Becky prior to being distributed.
- d) Crime is reportedly on the rise at Target.
- e) It was suggested that we can give back to the Village businesses by offering safety presentations and safety/security guidelines.

10. The next meeting will be October 23, 2012 at 7:00pm at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.

11. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karl Schneeberger
Recording Secretary