

THIRD-PRECINCT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
3000 MINNEHAHA AVENUE, -COMMUNITY ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)
March 26th, 2012

3RD PRECINCT MISSION STATEMENT

Reduce crime, establish good relationships with the community and achieve high Officer moral.

- Call to order at 6:38P.M. by **Chairperson, Gwen McMahon**
- Introductions of those in attendance mentioning neighborhood and/or affiliation with the 3rd Precinct.

MINUTES: September 26th, 2011 meeting minutes were approved with one correction. Officer Mark Klucow's last name spelling corrected to: Klukow.

TREASURERS REPORT: In the absence of **Treasurer, Janell Holmberg**, Gwen McMahon reported:

- \$1,708.89 in the savings account, \$15.09 in the checking account.
- There is an outstanding bill for awards for February 2012 at this time.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Tuesday the 15th of May is Police Appreciation Day from 11:00A.M. – 2:00P.M, at the 3rd precinct. Longfellow school closed and that caused a drop off in attendance. Please get the word out in your neighborhoods.

Wednesday the 20th of June will be the 3rd Precinct Summer Picnic. Volunteers are needed for set-up, and to man two food serving shifts. (9am set up time.) First Shift: 11:00A.M. – 1:00P.M. and Second Shift: 6:00P.M. – 9:00P.M. A variety of foods are appreciated. If you would like to donate your time, food, or know of a business that may like to donate to this picnic please let **Chairperson, Gwen McMahon** know. Gwen can be reached at (612) 722-2241. Donation request letters available upon request.

INSPECTOR LUCY GEROLD, COMMANDER OF THE THIRD-PRECINCT:

STATE OF THE PRECINCT

- Precinct Crime Data: Overall the crime rate is down in the 3rd precinct with the exception of aggravated assaults at this time. Noting that aggravated assaults usually are occurring between family members or acquaintances.
- Officers are maintaining a regular and consistent presence in the Peavy Park area as well as Bloomington/Lake Street and the Little Earth Community to mention a few.
- A reminder to call 911 when suspicious activity is occurring. Recent calls on suspicious activity have been successful. Do NOT inform the suspicious person that you are calling 911.
- Seasonal reminders: Keep lower level windows and doors locked when not home. Also keep front doors locked when in the back yard and visa- versa. Secure window A/C units, as they are a location to illegally enter a home if not secured in the window. Also keep bicycles locked and garages closed when you are not present. Going into the house or front yard and leaving the garage door open is inviting crime.

STAFFING COMMENTS:

- Upcoming City Events will require additional officers. These events are the Frozen Four Hockey Tournament, Occupy Minnesota 6 month anniversary, as well as two Cinco de Mayo events in the 3rd precinct.
- CRT Team changes – rotation of four officers recently. The new rotation of officers will be training in their new positions and they are already well trained officers so another great team is in place.
- Positive words for Governor Dayton as he recently vetoed a bill that would have incorporated a similar law such as the "Stand your Ground" gun legislation in Florida that is currently in the News regarding the

teenager “legally” shot and killed by a citizen. The uproar and outrage over this incident is creating waves of frustration all over the country. This incident has brought out discussion of conceal and carry laws in each state. In Minnesota the shooter would not have been able to carry a concealed weapon because of his criminal history. It has raised quite a few issues to be discussed.

OFFICER(S) OF THE MONTH:

We have officers that are nominated for very specific incidents or high profile work and others just for really solid overall performance. (Often nominated by fellow officers)

January 2012 Officer of the Month is Gregory Jeddelloh.

Officer Jeddelloh seized a large amount of controlled substances (heroin and cocaine) and assets from drug dealers during January. In addition Officer Jeddelloh had 5 prostitution arrests. He has also been very helpful in instructing newer members of the unit in policy and procedures for the successful prosecution of Narcotics violations.

Winter months tend to be a slower part of the year for CRT but because he was able to cultivate several “good” informants he had a high level of productivity during the month of January.

February 2012 Officer of the Month is Josh Young.

Officer Young recovered two handguns, made several curfew arrests and was decorated for his life saving efforts on a choking infant in February. Officer Young also made numerous self-initiated arrests and stops.

The curfew arrests are of special note as they were on the Greenway while providing extra patrols after some robberies in the area.

The Inspector reminded us that generally if kids are out after curfew they will either be victimizing or become victims of crime.

REPORT FROM CRT/ Lt. Danny May

-Introduction of Lt. Danny May. He has been with the Minneapolis Police Department for 24 years. He has served time on the SWAT team, K-9 unit as a patrol officer, 1st precinct Middle Watch, Narcotics, Prostitution, Street Crimes too. He now oversees the Problem Property Officers and works with them as well as the CCP/SAFE officers.

Lt. May let us know that the mission of the CRT team remains the same. They are the plain clothes and undercover officers. The team focuses on areas that require detailed attention. Lt. May gave an overall summary of what the CRT team does as part of his introduction.

He informed us that a majority of home break-ins are drug related. As an example: The homes broken into will be where drugs were in the home.

REPORT FROM CCP/SAFE (community crime prevention/safety for all)

-CPS Don Greely, Sector 1, EPIC, Midtown Phillips, Phillips West, Ventura Village –Shun Tillman reporting for Don Greely – Bicycle thefts are up. Close garages and lock up bikes. They have trained 4 new block leaders and they now have a total of 18.

-CPS Karen Notsch, Sector 2, Bancroft, Bryant, Central, Corcoran, Powderhorn Park, Standish

Held a home invasion workshop at Powderhorn Park Office and 60 people were there. Very successful. There were latino translators there and it was a great turnout. Preventable crimes were prevalent in the statistics. These preventable items were covered in detail. Doors, windows and even a dog door. Proper lighting and communicating with neighbors increases safety as well. Flyers available on table in back of room.

-CPS Sue R, Sector 3, Regina, Field, Page, Diamond Lake, Northrop, Hale, Ericsson, Keewaydin, Wenonah, Minnehaha, Morris Park

-Property Crimes Court Watch – Upcoming Meeting Monday, May 14th, 2012 from 6:30P.M. – 7:30P.M.

Meeting starts on time and ends on time. Meeting held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church Community Room. 1720 E Minnehaha Parkway (off of 18th Ave S) Wants to increase information going out via e-mail about what is going on in her sector. She is receiving good feedback.

YTD crime is down overall. Auto Thefts are surprisingly up at this time. Some unusual crimes. Gas siphoning by cutting two holes in feeder tube to a gas tank. Flashlight laying in driveway seemed innocent, until holes were discovered.

New Scam – construction worker clothing, on cell phone, needs a construction vehicle towed...short on money. One business owner saw this scam happening at a second location and confronted this “construction worker” this business owner did Not call 911. Please call 911 when suspicious activity is suspected. - Beware: intricate stories, odd amounts of \$\$ 13 dollars instead of \$20 for an example. Seems to sound less ‘fishy’ with odd amounts of money or detailed stories

-CPS Shun Tillman, Sector 4, Seward, Longfellow, Cooper, Howe, Hiawatha. Some good solid arrests in his sector. A stolen vehicle recovered after a 911 call. Additional 911 call reported suspicious activity at Rainbow. Also, an update on a crime that happened last year involving a senior with alzheimers’ who was a victim of robbery and that case was just charged and will land the criminal up to 20 years behind bars.

Kathy Carlson will Chair next meeting on Monday May 21st, 2012
8:00P.M. Adjourn

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