

**MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, 7/9/13, 4:15 P.M.**

Board Members Present: Jeff Campbell, Lucas Yonkman, Gene Barner, Nora Daniel, Robert Young
Not Present: Ed Johnson, Terry Lacey
Dept. Staff Present: Chief Ed Green, Martha Folsom

The meeting was called to order by Gene Barner at 4:18 p.m. in the Police Department Training Room.

AGENDA TOPICS

1. **June Minutes:** No discussion. Campbell moved to approve the June minutes, Yonkman seconded. The June minutes were approved as presented.
2. **Pertinent Updates / CAB Questions:** Chief Green advised that, regarding the "Tagster" graffiti cleaner fundraising effort, after some discussions, he has decided that a better approach was to purchase the first batch of the cleaner, which we have done. We will get it out there and in use, and show the businesses how it works, (then perhaps they will purchase it themselves). Officer Yzaguirre has the High School football team lined up for graffiti cleanup, and that will start soon. If CAB members wish to be involved in that, let her know. She will alert the newspaper about the project. Young said he spoke with Mr. Mack, the jewelry store owner (near the Cinemas) and he was quite pleased to hear that the CAB and the PD are taking this problem seriously. Chief Green reiterated that it is critical to keep reporting it, that it is not a nuisance to us.
3. **National Night Out, August 6th:** The sign-up sheet was passed around, and Folsom will send that out to CAB members via email. Barner will be on vacation during NNO. He asked the Chief to tell the CAB members what role he would like to see them take at NNO. Chief Green said that we would like members to be there (at or near the PD's booth) as much as they can. He said it would be nice to have two CAB members there at any given time. He envisions that this is a really good opportunity, not only to mingle with the other agencies that will be present, but with community members. It gets CAB members "out in the community" and they will hopefully receive some feedback to pass on. Discussion was held on the 1/3 sheet flyer for CAB to hand out. Folsom will move the survey "box" to the front of the sheet, and make it more noticeable. Chief Green mentioned that there will be local Service Clubs present, and CAB members should let them know about the Board's existence. Yonkman said he would not participate in NNO as a CAB member, so as not to "muddy the waters" between the CAB and his campaign.
4. **CAB Survey Discussion:** Barner thanked those CAB members who took the on-line survey and provided feedback. He said that one of the things he looked for and likes is that it gives a room to "complain", but also to give positive feedback. Campbell said that one of the things that occurred to him was that some of the responses we receive may be about things over which the PD has no control. Chief Green said that sometimes community policing isn't just about crime issues, and that we can pass concerns on to the appropriate departments or divisions (City). Young said that he felt that is a good thing, as it lets the community know we are listening. He also said that he felt the survey was "ready to go" and it can always be changed later if needed.

Barner wanted to add as a discussion item for the next meeting (September) a deadline/review date (for survey results). Yonkman asked for clarification, that the CAB's role was to formulate the survey, and the Department will address issues as they come up, (as opposed to the CAB)? Chief Green said yes, that was correct. We will let the CAB know the results as they come in. Barner suggested still as a September meeting discussion topic to set timeframes for CAB looking at the data, how we will look at it, what our involvement will be, timeline. Folsom said she will keep the Agenda item "Survey Discussion" and this discussion could fall under that.

Chief Green thanked the CAB for all their effort on the survey, and said he is quite pleased with it. He thanked Folsom for her work on Survey Monkey, and said she did an outstanding job. Campbell also thanked Folsom for her work.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

None

Chief Green wanted to add – in looking down the road, he would like the CAB to start getting involved in some other things, absent the survey. One is working with the downtown merchants and their issues. He gave an example of recent complaints about skateboarders downtown, and said that in order to address this issue, we need City Ordinance updates. The same holds true with problems with bicycle riders, on the sidewalks, etc. He said it would be helpful to get CAB involved in that, as we start to write/re-write Ordinances, CAB members could talk to folks down there (downtown) and get their feedback.

Chief Green also wanted to update CAB that, as of today, the County Health Department has shut down the Element club. There were violations, and fines were not paid, hence the shutdown. He said that he has sent a 50+ page letter to the Liquor Control Board, regarding our opposition to the renewal of the Element's liquor license, which expires on 7/31/13. He wanted to CAB to know what is going on, in case they get questions. He also said another involvement by the CAB could be getting feedback from the condo residents in that area as to what they would like to see go in down there if the Element closes down. That feedback could be passed on to Development Services, and help them get an idea of what the public down there is feeling.

Yonkman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Young seconded. Meeting was adjourned at x:xx p.m. on 7/9/13.

The next CAB meeting will be held on Tuesday, 9/10/2013 in the OHPD Training Room, **(No August meeting, due to National Night Out 8/6/13)**

Prepared by M. Folsom