Crime & Safety Committee Meeting October 2023 Meeting Minutes

Painter Park

Present:

Co-Chairs: Michael Montrose; Jeanne Wiener

Attendees: Norma Pietz; Shirley Ramsay-Montrose; Mary Trondson; Mohamed Hirsi; Mary Alette Davis; Jacquelyn Palmarez; Ed Janezich; Terry White; A. Neil; Sami Smetana – LNA Director; Jennifer Waisanan – CPS - 5th Precinct; Ahmed Hassam – CPS – 5th Precinct; Matthew Hartung – City Attorney – 5th Precinct; Inspector Chistie Nelson - 5th Precinct; Anne Kegley – Painter Park Director; T. Xiang – Park Police; Sgt. Katie Cannon – Park Police.

The Crime & Safety Committee is responsible for working on community safety issues affecting the Lyndale Neighborhood. The Crime & Safety Committee will be responsible for making recommendations to the Board of Directors related to community safety issues, crime issues, programs and projects impacting the neighborhood.

Meeting called to order at 18:30. Welcome and introductions were made.

Motion made to approve October 2023 agenda, seconded – approved. Motion made to approve September 2023 meeting minutes, seconded – approved.

LNA Reported Crime Stats by Jennifer Waisenan – CCP-SAFE:

Ahmed Hassan – CPS will be working with the Lyndale Neighborhood and two other neighborhoods. Jennifer will still be working with all other neighborhoods in the 5th Precinct.

39 incidents reported for 20th Sept. through 17th Oct., 2 were carjackings. *Remember to be aware of what is going on around you, no matter where you are.*

All are encouraged to lookup crime stats on Minneapolis Crime Dashboard.

Court Cases by Matthew Hartung – City Attorney:

D. Thompson hearing is now set for 21st Nov.

5th Precinct – Inspector Christie Nelson:

Hyundai anti-theft upgrade is being held at the former K-Mart parking lot on 10th and 11th November. All the copper was stolen from the former K-Mart - empty building. The teardown of former K-Mart building is being brought forward due to the fire. White Castle Closed. 5th Precinct is supposed to get 2 New Officers from the next graduating class.

Park Police Presentation by Sgt. Katie Cannon and Tom Xing:

Heavy piece of Equipment stolen from Painter Park construction site on 5th Oct. People are asked to call 911 if they see something suspicious, park police can be reached through 911.

Due to the construction the lights in the park have not been lit due to the wiring danger, but the lights in the parking lot area has been rerouted and turn back on.

LNA Presentation by Director Sami Smetana:

Simpson Housing has permits to tear down the old church site on 28th St. and 1st Ave. and will start soon. Housing Committee meeting 1st November about recommendations for former K-Mart site. The apartment above LNA Office/SNAC building is available for rent. LNA Fall Fund Raiser was a success, raising over \$13,000.00.

Old Business/Updates:

Thanksgiving Walk name change was not approved.

New Business/Announcements:

Boo-tifull Lyndale Halloween Neighborhood Walk on Saturday, 28th October starting at 3200 Pleasant Ave (side yard) from 3pm - 5pm. All are invited, all encouraged to wear costumes.

Scam alert from Animal Control

Next Crime and Safety Meeting 21st November at 5th Precinct, (18:30 – 20:00) 6:30pm – 8pm Thanksgiving Walk is 12th November meeting at Jeanne Wiener's house, 3542 Garfield Ave at Noon. Thank you cards can be dropped of at LNA office (SNAC) or at Jeanne's

Meeting was adjourned at 20:05