

Present:

Susanna Pai, Chair – Lake Road Neighborhood Association

Larry Kanzler, Chief of Police

Ray Bryan – Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood Association

Gene Covey – Lewellyn Neighborhood Association

Dolly Macken-Hambright – Linwood Neighborhood Association

Cheryl Ausmann-Moreno – Ardenwald Neighborhood Association

Mary Weaver – Campbell Neighborhood Association

Bonnie Mishler – Island Station Neighborhood Association

Dave Hedges – Member At Large

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The meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.

The members introduced themselves to the newest member at large, Dave Hedges. He is a retired police officer originally from London, England. He served as a detective, assigned to anti-terrorism. He moved to Milwaukie last year. He and his wife will be attending the Citizen's Academy.

Mary asked if anything had happened with the recent gang graffiti that they received information about. There were some volunteers who were supposed to clean it up. The PD needs photos of the graffiti before it's cleaned up to document the activity. We share them with other agencies. The gang task force served two search warrants in Milwaukie recently – one involved weapons/drugs violations. This year we received another federal grant for \$21,000 for overtime/equipment. They've been working a lot in Canby recently.

Susanna asked if everyone had read the minutes from the previous meeting. Dolly made a motion to accept the minutes. Cheryl seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Susanna wanted to discuss some information the Chief had shared on gang activity in the prison system. Sunnyside, Washington passed an ordinance that makes gang affiliation illegal. Cheryl asked if the ordinance would be a good idea for Milwaukie. The Chief said we don't have nearly the number of gang members that Sunnyside had, but it would definitely send an anti-gang message.

Oxford House discussion - Susanna said the Chief did an excellent job facilitating the meeting. Cheryl explained how the situation came to be. There were a lot of irate people, but the issues were addressed.

National Shelter System – Susanna gave a report on what she found out about emergency shelter locations, etc. Mary wanted to know how often the information is updated. Susanna will find out. Ray wanted to know if we have enough shelters in case of an

earthquake. The Chief said the way this is designed is that the County Engineer goes to the shelter location to make sure it's safe. There is a huge exercise coming up in October 16<sup>th</sup> – Milwaukie's EOC and Clackamas County are participating. Testing the personnel, equipment, and strategies. The exercise is required by the Feds – funded through a grant.

Mary shared her experiences in dealing with a meth dealer/user and her contacts with law enforcement. She had very good experiences with Milwaukie PD. She learned that it can be very frustrating trying to make connections with other law enforcement agencies. She wishes there was one contact person with every law enforcement agency for people to call in a similar situation. She learned that banks usually don't prosecute people for check fraud – they just write it off.

Chief said that representatives from RECIC were meeting with Darlene Hooley today to ask for funding.

Susanna thinks the committee should decide what they want to accomplish, citizen foot patrols, etc., before they seek out corporate sponsorship. Everyone agreed that it's a huge commitment and it's hard to get volunteers unless it's turned into a social event. Cheryl asked if electronic surveillance was an option – the Chief said that would be too costly right now. Dave said that they have thousands of cameras in England – but the equipment is monitored by the equivalent of the City Council. They also have a public address system hooked up to the cameras so they can speak to people/violators. They also have facial recognition capabilities.

OSU has developed a way to test the sewage water for drug usage – it can tell the types/frequency/times of day, etc.

TSA is going to start checking people in cars parked in front of airports and searching cars.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 27th.