



Neighborhood Watch Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2021 — 5:30 p.m.

“The mission of Columbia Neighborhood Watch is to inform, train and encourage residents to work together to establish neighborhood watch programs with the goal of reducing crime.”

This meeting will be held via the internet – Hosted by Nolanda
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83541083368?pwd=WnE5cXBld0dubjJHZi8vSzNkY0lwQT09>
Meeting ID: 835 4108 3368 Passcode: cnw

Call to Order: Nolanda - 5:30 pm

- Approval of previous month's meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report: Herb: *Report given \$8494.84 current assets*

- Approval of Treasurer Report - *Motion by Jeff; Gary second; all approved*

Sign Committee Report: Jacob - *Not present, no report*

CPD Liaison Report: Jason - *CPD has done outreach. Will start up crime free multi-housing training in 2022*

Collection of Support Hours: Kathy - *completed*

Old Business:

- 2021-2022 Budget-carried over to new business -
 - *Budget goes to outreach, trainings, events. Gary talked about VU having grants and that he applied for a \$100,000 grant for us to cover us long term.*

- *No new word on city funding - Jeff.*
 - *Jeff said there is a breakdown of funding on the secretary laptop*
 - 2021-2022 Goals-carried over to new business
 - *Nolanda reviewed proposed goals*
 - *Should we recognize captains and co-captains in a newsletter - question from Gary*
 - *Jeff said this was started a few years ago*
 - *Herb said we still need to reach out to captains and co-captains individually. Need to keep them happy, help them to feel useful.*
 - *Nolanda asked Jason for his thoughts on captains and co-captains - Jason feels we need to ask them individually.*
 - *Gary mentioned that Crime Stoppers says they remain anonymous. Nolanda asked him to check with each as he contacts them to see if they want to remain anonymous*
- * Vote on new goals - Jeff motion, Herb second, approved by all*

- CNW Item Storage
 - Nolanda has the items from the event table at her office for now. Will get other items from Irwin as needed and all items will move after we get funding for storage or a place to store permanently. If we get extra funding we can look at purchasing a storage option as it makes sense instead of board members shuffling items around.
 - *Nolanda said we have some items at the office left from the Career and Resource fair. It can remain there for now*

New Business:

- Tonight's training-
 - Elaine how are we looking on #s? Do we have the spreadsheet?
 - *28 on the list for tonight*
 - Herb & Jason will train for us, Kathy will run zoom, Nolanda will be take notes and prep for training future trainings
 - *Herb updated the officer slide and revised some of the powerpoint formatting*
- 2021-2022 Budget
 - Jeff, any update on City funding?
 - Nolanda has reached out as well to Lisa to ask if she can give us additional guidance
 - Gary-any update on your request from Veterans United?
- 2021-2022 Goals
 - We need to vote on the new year's goals -review last year's goals below
- Open Board Position-
 - *Jeff said he invited someone but they are a no show*
 - *Nolanda - we want to be sure we chose wisely; someone who can be actively involved*

- o Thoughts- We need to choose wisely as we need someone to be actively involved and has time to help with CNW duties that are available and not just someone to 'fill the seat'
 - o *We'll all continue recruiting to fill the open position*
- Web Services Contract
 - o Sam offered to donate his services again as he has done in the past and since we aren't sure what is up with the city funding Nolanda accepted his offer. If we get the funding in full for future years we can revisit this again for next year.
 - o *Nolanda addressed emails going back and forth regarding this. We'll know by next board meeting if we get VU funding and are able to offer payment for service*
- Como Gives Updates-
 - o FaceBook Live was done on November 4th, please share
 - o Anyone doing a peer-to-peer?
 - *Nolanda asked Herb for an update. Peer to peer - Mark Lamey, same as last year. Everything will have to go to CoMo gives with the exception of Broadway Farms (Mark's group). Won't go live for another day or two.*
 - *Jeff will work with our 16 area coordinators*
 - *Al - Gary and Herb met with him on Sunday. He's going to sit with Gary to do some calls`*
- Sign replacement-
 - o We need to have a process in place before we remove signs. Important to contact the neighborhoods and give them the option to attend training and invite others so they can keep their signs since the purpose is to get more folks trained and signs out there.
 - *Jason suggested that we give them a chance, go door to door and try to get folks trained and on board before just taking signs down*
 - o Gary, would this be something you can do with the block captains? Or Elaine, can you do this as part of the training piece?
- Contacting Block Captains-
 - o Gary, how is this going? We will be sending out an e-copy of the updated CNW information next month to all the block captains giving them opportunities to become more involved. This month we will send them an email inviting them to share or participate in Como Gives.
 - *Nolanda asked if they needed assistance sending out the invites. She can help with that*
 - *Gary suggested we see if CNW training can be mandated for city employees*
 - *Jason - we can't mandate but we could do invites to them*
- CMCA/Rock the Community Career and Resource Fair
 - o Thanks Al for hosting our table, we received some great feedback!
- Events-
 - o Al will be helping with tables at future events
- No December meeting

- January 25th Training -this will be both the monthly meeting and training
 - *Herb shared that he will be unable to attend on January 25th, wanted to know if the meeting could be switched to Monday instead*
 - *Board agreed to move the meeting to Monday*

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

- COMO Gives Progress
- Auxiliary members
- Open Board Position
- How often we need to meet as a Board
- Anything else need to be added to the agenda?

Adjourned meeting at: 6:26pm. Motion by Gary, Herb second, all approved

Board member attendance and terms

Name	Present	Absent	Support Hours	Term Ends	BD
Nolanda Dodd, <i>President</i>	P		14	2022	14- May
Elaine Heckenkamp - <i>Vice President</i>		A - in at 6:24 for training	4	2024	12-June
Kathy Newlon - <i>Secretary</i>	P		5	2022	26-Oct
Herb Watchinski Jr - <i>Treasurer</i>	P		108	2023	29-Aug
Al Barrier- <i>Events</i>	P		4	2024	30-March
Gary Kespohl- <i>Block Captain Contacts</i>	P		2	2023	? - March
Officer Jason McClintic, <i>CPD Liaison</i>	P		N/A		14-March
Jeff Hempstead - <i>Grants/fundraising</i>	P		37	2024	12-Jul
Jacob Novak- <i>Signs</i>	P		0	2022	3-Dec

Auxiliary Board Attendance

Name	Present	Absent
Linda Munden		A
Marc Lammy		A
Irwin Schneider		A

2021 goals for Columbia Neighborhood Watch

- Continue to keep Captains list up to date
- Continue to improve the Training PowerPoint
- Hold a minimum of 6 Training sessions
- Improve Video
- Attend at least one public event
- Continue to offer the speakers group to talk to clubs and organizations and actively schedule these events.
- Send thank you letters to Captains/ Co-Captains
- Send Newsletter Quarterly
- Apply for grants and funding opportunities.
- Reach out to City Council Members to attend and reach out to their constituents to attend Watch Trainings.
- Gather and refine data to demonstrate the effectiveness of Columbia Neighborhood Watch
- Approach the City in June about renewing the purchase of service agreement.

Proposed 2022 goals for Columbia Neighborhood Watch **[Approved by board on 11/16/2021 - see meeting minutes](#)**

- Continue to keep Captains list up to date and create a quarterly contact with them
- Continue to update the Training PowerPoint as needed
- Update Video content as needed
- Hold a minimum of 6 Training sessions either via zoom or in person (when appropriate)
- Meet via zoom or in person as Board a minimum of 4 times with monthly contact via email as needed
- Attend at least one public event
- Continue to present to clubs and organizations to share information about CNW
- Send thank you letters to Captains/ Co-Captains annually and recognize in a newsletter
- Send Newsletter Quarterly
- Apply for grants and funding opportunities as needs arise
- Reach out to City Council Members and their constituents to attend Watch Trainings/meetings
- Gather and refine data to demonstrate the effectiveness of Columbia Neighborhood Watch
- Approach the City annually about renewing the purchase of service agreement and funding