



**Neighborhood Watch
Agenda
Monday, Nov 14, 2022 — 6:00 p.m.
Molly Bowden Police Station**

“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.”

Attendees: Herb Watchinski, Jeff Hempstead, Al Barrier, Brad Anderson, Richard Hayden, Rodney Perry, Susan Dickerson

Meeting called to order 5:55

Board Member Applicant

- Tabled

Secretary’s Report – Susan

- Approved last meeting minutes.

Collection of Support Hours – Susan

- Explained support hours are reported by Jeff for BBB so requested everyone be conscious about recording and submitting

Treasurer's Report - Herb

- Reviewed reports Herb distributed. There have been some recent contributions.

Vice President’s Report – Jeff

- Surveys” Jeff sent results out. They were typical for a training session. Board had no questions.
- Grants: Applied for additional grants:
- Jeff contacted BBB, have not heard anything on the Torch Award (see email).

Sign Report – Rod

- Tabled until next meeting.

Captain/Co-Captain Liaison Report – Al and Michele

- Status of DB cleanup
- Liaison meetings
- Al wants to call all the co-captains again to see if he can reach some more. Coord w Michele to call everyone again.
- Calls must be documented with outcome, date and time.

Old Business:

- CoMo Gives – Implementation Plan Starts Tues Nov 29
 - Peer to peer. Jeff working w area coordinators - about 19.
- Filling vacant board positions & Officers- Updates
 - Down one membership position and the treasurer position. Would prefer someone in treasurer position with a quickbooks and accounting background. Jeff wrote up a flyer on the open positions. Which he will send to Bill Canton for posting in Nextdoor.
- Training Sessions – dates, style, location, etc.
 - Training – the live one went well.
 - Jan – in person vs zoom. Jeff thinks virtual for month of Jan due to weather. Board concurred.
 - One of the grants requires 8 trainings per year starting in 2023.
 - Jan 23 for next training. 6:30 start time.
 - Feb 27 for training. 6:30 start time.
- Inventory of CNW items
 - Have enough for in person training for 40 people
 - Very skimpy on most public event items.
 - Will propose dates to conduct inventory to check availability of members – Herb
- Facebook – Update
 - Michele to be addressing.
- Shirts – Status
 - Agreed that the board will buy new shirts for new members.
- MS Access – Update.
 - Tabled until Michele's return

New Business:

- Adobe license – should we acquire for board members? About \$20/month per machine for cloud based. Jeff has a program that is working. Need at least one Adobe license for the board officers. The board agreed to purchase 3 Adobe license. Note: Herb has his personal license.
- Newsletter. Herb requested everyone to review all articles with the knowledge that it is going out right before CoMo Gives. Please review articles to make sure they are pertinent and not duplicating anything in last newsletter.
- Fusus system and Nov 21 City Council Meeting at 7, we should arrive at 6:45. Wear shirts.
 - Jeff attended three meetings on it. We are in support of the system.

- Software/hardware that allows the police dept to link to private security systems iwhere each business and homeowner must register cameras to participate. But depends upon the individual homeowner to send the info.
- There is an additional component of the software app where non-registered individuals can send camera footage without signing up.
- Another vehicle for crime prevention.
- Quote for liability and D&O insurance
 - West Bend is our current carrier.
 - Insurance requirements: Minimum of \$2Mil liability to use any school for training. D&O is \$1mil ea claim.
- Expansion of training curriculum
 - There are more expansive curriculums by other CNW. Herb will start researching.
- Add “increasing public safety” to the mission statement. Motion passed.
- Board Mtg time: All agreed to move the meeting time to 6:00

Meeting adjourned at 7:19