



Neighborhood Watch Minutes

**Monday, June 12, 2023 — 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 and increasing public safety."

Call Meeting To Order

Welcome Guests

President's Report

- Command staff said they would provide a guest speaker. Lance Boulinger is an option.
- Nextdoor – not beneficial.
- Research security software. Herb will finalize his research and forward to Keith for purchase.
- Herb has not received calls back in his research.

Vice President's Report – Jeff

- Grants: Spent most of the month working on the city, approx 47 hours. It is in and we are in the second round. 93 organizations filing for grants (over 40 mil in requests). The city has 12 mil to divey out, where the city is using at least half.
- ARPA – in progress. County, suppose to hear something in June. The county is supposed to let everyone know this month if they made the second round.

Secretary's Report – Susan

- Approved last meeting minutes. Consensus.
- Hours for May – reminder.
- Archives – where to store.
- Shirts are in.

Treasurer's Report – Keith

- Received checks in \$7.23 and \$26.23 from Amazon Smile. Last checks.
- Schnucks loyalty program is gone. Gerbes is the only one left.

Board Reports

- Rod
 - Signs
 - Thornbrook – replaced signs.
 - No new requests.

- Development
 - Uhaul does not do free storage. Jeff City
- Minuteman printing. – still working on it.
- Ellen
 - Captain/Co-Captain Liaison Report
 - Clarification – no response on calls or emails. Are they active or inactive?
 - If the phone is disconnected or invalid email – then inactive.
 - Otherwise they are in limbo so do not make them inactive.
- Ibrahim
 - Facebook Status
 - Some folks are reaching out via facebook and Ibrahim sends them a link.
 - Posting on nextdoor.

UpComing Events

- National night out – Aug 1. Brad to f/u
- Ready Festival – **Sept 14, 2023** at Stephens Lake, 4-8 pm
- Joint Public Relations event with CPD - last year's plan was emailed to the board.
 - Selected date: **Sept 23.**
 - Herb drafted letter to Chief Jones stating we regretfully must cancel due to lack of response from CPD to coordinate the event. Board approved sending of letter.
- Annual Meeting –**Sept 11.**
- Training Sessions – dates, style, location, etc.
 - Suggest another online training session for July 24th.
- Possible events that CNW could have a booth at:
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 - Indian Hills Block Party: **August 19**, Saturday 12-2 pm @ Indian Hills Park

Old Business:

- BBB Torch Award.
 - Would like to display in City Hall. Waiting to hear if we could use our own display case.
- Inventory of CNW items. On Hold.

New Business

- Brad and Jeff are going to the Highlands. 22nd June. We have 94 members in the Highlands.
- Purchase of Service letter to City for funds
- Back our Blue signs as a fund raiser. Gauge interest and costs. Larry? will look at cost.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11