



**Neighborhood Watch**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, Nov 13, 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 at 6:00**

**Attendees:** Brad, Herb, Jeff, Keith, Larry (remotely), Rodney and Susan

**President’s Report**

- Use of Monday.com, boards. Boards that Jeff and Herb set up:
  - o Training – in person and remotely.
  - o In person
  - o Events
  - o Grants
  - o Development
- This coming Wed, Nov 15, press conference presenting new police chief at 2:00 p.m. Can also remote in.
- Letter from Ellen resigning from board.

**Vice President’s Report – Jeff**

- Grants – static right now.
- Taking Monday.com courses online.
- 3 year rotation plan – Jeff emailed to board.

**Secretary’s Report – Susan**

- Minutes of 9/9/2023 meeting – approved.
- Sue to contact Ibrahim – absent for 2 meetings. Ask status of Facebook postings.

**Treasurer’s Report – Keith**

- No change from last month
- No update on the services contract.

**Board Reports**

- Rod
  - o Don’t have a lot of new sources, but every time do, include CNW as part of the business. Needs more brochures which Herb will get to him.
  - o Replaced a few signs.

- Larry
  - o When to sell signs. Training. Put on our website.
- Brad
  - o Waiting for Chief announcement.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Number of requests for training. January seems to be an appropriate time.
  - o Third Monday of the month preferred by board members.
- Since Thornbrook is scheduled for Jan 18<sup>th</sup> at club house and it is an open meeting (see Old Business), we will use that as our Jan training session.

### **Old Business:**

- Oct 16 Training session scheduled at Molly Bowden. 28 attended. Follow-up: Well received with good feedback.
- Oct 18, City Hall, forum: meet the new chief candidates. Follow-up: Several board members attended. Abbreviated opportunity to talk with candidates. All answered the same questions.
- Forward suggestions from the Ready Festival – update. Herb sat in post mortem meeting. Parking and food truck locations will be revamped. Herb suggested start an hour earlier and end an hour earlier which they took under advisement. The generators and lights were on briefly but blew a fuse. That will also be addressed.
- Training material. Out of one of the booklets and very short supply of the other. Both copyrighted. Believe they come in packets of 25. Published by National Sheriffs Assoc. Suggested we order 200 each. Voted and approved.
- Monday.com utilization. See Presidents notes.
- Larry request: Wed Dec 13, 7 a.m breakfast meeting for Boonslick Kiwanis club. Request a guest speaker. Herb will speak. HyVee Providence and Nifong.
- Larry requested a Thornbrook training session in Jan to be an open training session held at Thornbrook club house. Update: Jan 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 is confirmed.

### **New Business**

- No new business.

### **Adjourn Meeting at 6:55**