



**Neighborhood Watch**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, Dec 11, 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:** Herb Watchinski, Brad Anderson, Jeff Hempstead, Ibrahim Ajiserere, Keith Caldwell, Rodney Perry, Susan Dickerson

**President’s Report**

- Jeff secured partnership with the Columbia Fire Department, Chief Farr. Offered to put an article in our newsletter and they readily agree. They are hiring a new PIO who will work with us.
- Two vacancies on the board, reach out if you know anyone that would be interested.

**Vice President’s Report – Jeff**

- Grants – waiting to hear on several.
- Quarterly newsletter went out. Received a positive comment back.
- Printing services. Shelter documents services area will review our printing needs to determine if they will provide printing services.

**Secretary’s Report – Susan**

- Minutes of 11/13/2023 meeting. Received enough feedback to approve minutes.
- Send hours. They are used for grant proposals.

**Treasurer's Report – Keith**

- Reports were emailed to the board.

**Board Reports**

- Rod
  - o Continues to replace signs. Extra one costs \$50
- Ibrahim
  - o Have about 20 followers of Facebook. 50 followers on Nextdoor.
- Larry
- Brad

- Change in staffing in CPD.

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- **Upcoming Events**

- Wed Dec 13, 7 a.m breakfast meeting for Boonslick Kiwanis club. Herb will be a guest speaker.
- Sunrise Optimist presentation on 12/14 – Herb to present.
- Larry requested a Thornbrook training session on Jan18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

**Old Business:**

- When to sell signs. 1) Training. 2) Put on our website,
- Status check of training material discussion last meeting .
  - Update: Purchased 300 booklets each of the two booklets we use in our training package. 300 were ordered vs the 200 we planned because there was a discount with 300 and came in cheaper than ordering 200 of each one.

**New Business**

**Adjourn Meeting: 7:05**