



Neighborhood Watch

Minutes

Monday, July 8, 2024 — 6:00 p.m.

Molly Bowden Police Station

“Our vision is to be the safest city in the state of Missouri.”

“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.”

Called Meeting to Order 6:00

President’s Report

- Monday.com – Get on it and use it. Yes, everyone.
 - Start using for grants, assignments and activities as we are moving to the web site instead of using email and print for information,
- ESRI / ArcGIS – Review
 - Still learning. Distributed the members vs burglaries map.
- Speakers **bureau**
 - Central MO Community Action (CMCA) event on Aug 8 10:45 at 105 Ash Street.

Vice President’s Report – Jeff

- Grants – applied for two new grants.
- Grocery bags update (see below). The cost has risen. The board determined the cost is too high. We will not order the bags.
- Torch award display (see image below)
 - Jason will check to see if we can display in City Neighborhood Services.
 - The glass case, which we would use to display the award, is in an auction. Highest bid for Jeff to submit: \$200. If Jason determines we can display, then Jeff will pursue the purchase.

Secretary’s Report – Susan

- Minutes of 6/10/2024 approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Keith

- Started a fourth CD. They will mature every 6 months.

Board Reports

- Rod (development) - . Install signs in Cambridge Place neighborhood
- Ibrahim (technology) –Continues to post items on Facebook and Nextdoor.

- Larry and Paul – Captains and co-captains. No responses to test group letters – 14. Not sure when they were sent out.
- Jason
 - National Night Out. Reached out to Jenny. She has made the link. Publicity campaign timing? Currently has not moved forward.

Upcoming Events

- Ice cream with First Responders. Nothing from Jenny and Brian.
 - Sponsors meet quarterly and they need at least 90 days lead time. E.g. Sponsors donate ice cream, coolers, ice....
 - We are beyond time to prepare so it will be cancelled again this year.
- Annual meeting Sep 9. 5:30-7:30. Room booked from 5:00 – 8:30,
- Boone County Office of Emergency Management (BCOEM) Ready Festival is Thursday September 12th 4 pm to 8 pm (rain date is September 19th) –
- Aug 26 training at Molly Bowden Police Station from 6:00-8:00.

Old Business:

- Parks and Rec Events
 - August 17 Indian Hills Block Party 12 to 2 pm – participated before Wait to see
- National Night Out – Still set for first Tues in August – August 6th.
 - Assigned to PIO.
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 - Marketing: City website, Nextdoor, Press Release.
 - **Cambridge Place (recent training and qualify for CNW signs) has extended an invitation to CNW to attend**

New Business

- Services for Independent Living (SIL) event on Sep 13 at ARC Farmers Market from 11:00 – 4:00.
 - We participated prior to 2021.
 - Recommend we do not attend. The Ready Festival is a better option.
- Central MO Community Action (CMCA) event on Aug 8 10:45 – see Herb notes.
- Look into Bag clips, flashlights/keychains and what other organizations are doing (Susan)

Adjourn Meeting 7:20