

MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee

Jon Reaud, Chairperson

Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson

Meeting Date: February 18, 2016

Rev. Dwight Benoit

John Stafford

Alma Hodge

Jesus Abrego

Karl Duerr

Rev. Vernon Tubbs

Roy Steinhagen

Irmalyn Thomas

Glen Johnson

Rev. David Robinson

Gene Bush

Rev. William Wilson

Call to order by Chairperson Jon Reaud: A regular meeting of the Community Advisory Committee was held at **Beaumont Police Department Training Room**, 255 College Street, Beaumont, Texas on **February 18, 2016**. The meeting convened at **1:06 p.m.**

Members in attendance: Jon Reaud, Rev. David Robinson, Rev. Vernon Tubbs, Roy Steinhagen, Jesus Abrego, Karl Duerr, Alma Hodge, John Stafford, Glen Johnson and Rev. William Wilson.

Members not in attendance: Rev. Dwight Benoit, Gene Bush, Sandra Womack and Irmalyn Thomas.

City and Police Department personnel in attendance: Assistant Chief Jim Clay, Chief of Police James Singletary, Judi Rawls and Cindy Bloodsworth Jeanis.

Invocation: Rev. David Robinson

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence in memory of Officer Paul Hulsey

Jon Reaud–Roll Call

Minutes from the January 2016 meeting were accepted via acclamation.

Old Business:

We are going to table the By Laws this month since Rev. Benoit is out.

Detective Nixon's Good Deeds commercial has been airing on television.

Next month Mr. Reaud would like to have a presentation of certificates for all of the good deeds officers so far.

Mr. Duerr said there were no ride a longs to mention, but that Mr. Stafford and Mr. Steinhagen both have one planned in the next months.

Mr. Steinhagen reported on the public forum. There was discussion amongst staff and the committee members on how the public forum went. The Chief did say that he does not want our officers backing away from confrontational questions during a forum. Mr. Duerr said that next time we need to mix it up and sit amongst the people.

Mr. Stafford, said that he has been pleased with the professionalism of the board and would like to see more outreach in the Hispanic community. Mr. Abrego voiced his concerns that he would like to see more done for the young Hispanic youth. There was talk among committee members about maybe having a community forum in the Hispanic area. Reverend Robinson said that maybe we could have a forum at the MLK School.

Mr. Reaud said that Roy McGrath has invited the members of the Community Advisory Committee to come speak at their next meeting, which will be on March 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the training classroom. They will be putting together a power point presentation.

Cindy Bloodsworth went over the online website updates for the Committee.

Cindy Bloodsworth also mentioned that they are having a Bicycle Rodeo on March 5th from 10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. at Dishman Elementary. She also passed out the 2016 Police Community Events brochure.

Mr. Duerr said that he brought Republican and Democratic sample voting sheets if anyone wanted any.

Mr. Reaud said that six committee members made contributions in the Chief's honor for Animal Services and wanted to thank those people.

Assistant Chief Clay said that he was sorry he missed the Forum last time, but that he is going to Lamar at night for his Master's degree.

Changes to the Contact list that need to be made are: Roy Steinhagen's spelling of his last name and also the "reaudfoundation" email needed to be deleted for Mr. Reaud.

Benediction: Rev. David Robinson

Meeting ended at 1:49 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

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