

ANTIOCH POLICE CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION

July 17, 2006
7:00 p.m.

Antioch Police Department
Community Meeting Room
300 "L" Street
Antioch, CA 94509

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Antioch Police Crime Prevention Commission was held on July 17, 2006, and called to order in the Antioch Police Department's Community Room.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present: Chair Ho, Vice Chair Vasquez and Commission Members Kelly, Koch & Talavera
Absent: None

Agenda Item #3- Approval of Minutes (June 19, 2006)

A motion was made by Commission Member Koch and seconded by Commission Member Kelly to approve the Crime Prevention Commission Minutes of March 20, 2006.

Vote:

Ayes: Vice Chair Vasquez and Commission Members Koch and Talavera

Noes: None

Abstain: Chair Ho and Commission Member Kelly (absent last month)

Agenda Item #4– Public Comments – Forum for Public Comment of Items not on the Regular Agenda

Members of the audience discussed various issues with the Commission/Staff. Some of the topics of discussion included: the need for more police presence at the crosswalk in front of the Social Services building on Leland; possession and/or shooting off illegal fireworks is a misdemeanor; kids from outside Antioch coming into Antioch schools; the times of the officers shifts and how many officers on each shift; how many officers on the street and how many officers vacancies at present; the need for more communication with the Neighborhood Watch groups and what is in the works to remedy this problem; how crime prevention tactics are hard to evaluate their effectiveness but do help; the use of a task force and special CHP computerized vehicles used to catch car thieves; the effective use of engravers to mark car rims etc. and Chair Ho will check into whether or not there are engravers available from the APD to loan out;

home with overgrown shrubbery/weeds etc can be reported to the fire department as well as code enforcement; the problem with multiple families living in single family homes;

Also discussed a problem rental home in the White Rock/Rock Spring area where the residents have friends over in the middle of the night and plays loud music. A new “problem home” unit has been assembled (includes a sergeant, corporal and two officers) to handle problem homes started last Monday. Also, at least one more Code Enforcement Officer is expected to be hired soon to help. Landlords need to be more responsible.

**Agenda Item #5 – Neighborhood Watch Block Captains’ Work Study Session
(Refer to Block Captains’ Minutes for July 17th, 2006)**

Agenda Item #6 – Commission/Staff Reports

a. Commission Vacancies Update

There are two vacancies.

b. Neighborhood Watch Beat Report

Chair Ho recapped the calls he received from the Neighborhood Watch hotline. He requested contact by the appropriate Commission members.

Commission members Talavera (Beat 5) reported Mary Livingston will have a first meeting mid August.

Commission member Kelly (Beat 6) reports having much success. He has done one first meeting and three second meetings. There was also one rejuvenation meeting and this group put together a letter and sent it to the owner of a problem rental property and many of the problems have been resolved.

Agenda Item #7 - Neighborhood Watch Program Monthly Report

Item is continued until next month.

Agenda Item #8 – Commission Communications/Announcements/Correspondence

a. Commission/Staff

Commission Member Talavera

- would like to have “Citizen Patrol” discussed on the August 21st Agenda. This would include creating guidelines for the Block Captains.
- asked if we had a mandate, as a Block Captain wanted to know. No we do not as the Commission is only an advisory commission.

Vice Chair Vasquez

- had some success in contacting Beat 4 Block Captains

Chair Ho

- reminded those Commission Members who haven’t already participated in the mandatory Ethics training being held on September 19th from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers.
- requested the monthly reports from the Commission members. He reminded them to account for their time from meeting to meeting.

Ex-Commission Member Miller

- invited the Commission to a Neighborhood Watch Block Party being held on September 12th.

Future Commission Meetings/Educational Presentations/Events

- **August 1, 2006** – National Night Out Event 6-9 p.m.
- **August 21, 2006** – Regular Antioch Police Crime Prevention Commission Meeting
7:00 p.m.
- **September 18, 2005** – Regular Antioch Police Crime Prevention Commission Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #9 - Adjournment

There being no further items of discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie L. Friedrikson
Secretary