

**ANTIOCH CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

**Regular Meeting
7:00 P.M.**

**November 18, 2019
Police Department Community Room**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson White called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M., on November 18, 2019, in the Antioch Police Department Community Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Eubanks, Morales Corona, LaPoint and Chairperson White
Absent: Commissioner Lewis

Staff: Sergeant, James Stenger
Coordinator, Hans Ho
Minutes Clerk, Kitty Eiden

3. CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

Chairperson White welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited new attendees to introduce themselves. She discussed the manner in which the meeting would be conducted.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (October 21, 2019)

On motion by Commissioner Eubanks, seconded by Commissioner Morales Corona the Crime Prevention Commission members present unanimously approved the minutes of October 21, 2019 as presented. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Eubanks, Morales Corona, LaPoint and Chairperson White
Absent: Commissioner Lewis

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Munton expressed concern regarding barking, aggressive and non-registered dogs as well as residents who were over their legal limit of dogs. He suggested the City develop better policies and procedures for the enforcement of the municipal code as it related to Animal Control matters.

Sergeant Stenger responded that there had recently been a turnover in Animal Control Officers and once training was completed, citizens should see an increase in enforcement efforts. He noted that if APD responded to a barking dog call in the middle of the night and they did not

hear the dog barking, they would not approach the home. He further noted if dispatch was saying the APD would not respond, residents could demand that they do so.

Mr. Munton reported that he had called numerous times and was told APD would not respond to barking dogs.

Sergeant Stenger stated that he would bring this issue up at their staff meeting. He reiterated that with the change in staffing and the new Animal Shelter Manager, he believed these types of issues would be addressed.

A speaker reported that she was aware of an incident in which dogs were stolen from a home in his neighborhood.

Sergeant Stenger stated that that would be a felony crime and should be investigated by the police.

Mr. Munton also expressed concern for illegal breeders.

6. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

“Business Watch at the Antioch Marina” by Commissioner Eubanks

Commissioner Eubanks and Gary Clausen gave a “Business Watch at the Antioch Marina” PowerPoint presentation which included the following information:

- Partners – Twin Rivers Insurance, Bay Indoor RV and Boat, Antioch Historical Society, Riverview Lodge, Dow Wetlands Preserve, Inland Marine, City of Antioch, Alta Fence, Delta Kayak Adventures, Smith’s Landing, live-aboard boat tenants, BNSF Railroad, Pacific Pride
- An email chain had been developed to be able to reach out to appropriate people in the event that something should occur
- A network of cameras at the Marina were provided by Twin Rivers Insurance and the City of Antioch
- An IT professional attended meetings to provide resources to the group
- Two officers from BNSF railroad attended meetings and patrolled their property
- A phone tree had been established
- Monthly meetings were held
- Resource sharing and mutual support was provided
- Several incidents had been captured on surveillance and evidence had been provided to APD
- Additional cameras would be added to provide more security which would assist the city with economic development
- The Antioch Historical Society would be upgrading their surveillance system
- The Business Watch group had a closed Facebook page to discuss meetings and share information

- The following respondents provided input to their online survey – Smith’s Landing, Pacific Pride, Riverview Lodge, Delta Kayak Adventures and Live Aboard Marina residents
- Questions included -
 - Rate how serious you feel the level of crime is around your business.
 - What types of crimes are occurring?
 - How many times has your business been a victim of crime in the last 12 months?
 - What is your perception of the trend in crime in your business area over the last 3 years?
 - Have you reported crimes within the last 24 months?
 - What is your perception of police patrols in your area?
 - What types of prevention tools/measures are you using?
 - What do you like most about your business location?
 - What did they least like about the business location?
- A good partnership was formed with the Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS)
- A Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) audit had been given and gaps in security had been identified
- The City had provided information on the West Antioch Creek Flood Mitigation Project grant
- There had been an increase in dispositive crime reporting
- Discussions had occurred with City officials regarding the impact of homeless
- Technical issues were identified with crime reports

A speaker suggested surveillance cameras be installed along the railroad tracks.

Mr. Clausen explained that the current project was concentrating on property at the marina to prevent thefts. He noted cameras along the railroad tracks could be considered for future projects.

Coordinator Ho, representing VIPS reported that they had added the marina and would be adding the Riverview Lodge as special patrol areas. He noted that his goal was to bring Neighborhood Watch and VIPS activity closer together.

Chairperson White thanked Commissioner Eubanks and Mr. Clausen for the presentation.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

Business Watch Implementation – Report by Commission

Commissioner LaPoint reported she had made contact with the management of the Hillcrest Restaurant and Tap House and she would be following up with them regarding the establishment of a Business Watch in the area.

Commissioner Eubanks reported that his only active group was at the Antioch Marina because the Somersville Mall had not been meeting.

Commissioner White reported that she had attempted to make contact with the owners of the Quick Stop on Lone Tree; however, they were not responsive. She noted the business was allowing an encampment in their parking lot.

NW Best Practices Committee – Report by Chairperson White

Chairperson White reported that the next Neighborhood Watch Best Practices Committee meeting would be scheduled in early 2020.

Community Outreach Sub Committee, “Bridging the Gap” – Report by Chairperson Lewis

Commissioner Eubanks reported that the Community Outreach Sub Committee had not met and requested this item be agendaized for the Police Crime Prevention Commission meeting in December.

8. NEW ITEMS TO BE AGENDIZED FOR THE NEXT MEETING

As previously discussed, the Community Outreach Sub Committee, “Bridging the Gap” Program would be agendaized for the December meeting.

9. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Morales Corona reported that the “C” Street Neighborhood Watch group would not be meeting in December due to the holiday.

Commissioner LaPoint wished everyone a safe Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Eubanks reported on his attendance at the East Madill and Chateau Mobile Home Park Neighborhood Watch groups. He noted the Chateau Mobile Home Park group was very well-attended and they were concerned regarding illegal activity occurring in the area. He noted that they had developed some solutions which included an access control gate at the entrance and creating a Facebook page to share information.

Staff

Coordinator Ho reported that the suggestion from the Commission to the APD for the development of an alarm registration decal program had been forwarded to the Captain for review. He announced that the APD would be participating in Gift Tuesday from 1:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. outside of Target and they were asking for donations of new/gently used clothing, toys and money from shoppers.

Sergeant Stenger, responding to a previous request for evacuations procedures, explained that the Battalion Chief and highest ranking APD officer would coordinate with Red Cross to transport those needing assistance to a site that would be determined at the time of the event. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Chairperson White cautioned residents to not leave any items in their vehicles and discreetly secure purchases in their trunks

A speaker stated if she wanted to continue shopping, she would secure packages in her trunk and move her vehicle to a different parking spot.

Commissioner Eubanks reported that the East Madill Neighborhood Watch group had submitted applications for a traffic table in their area and the program had ceased to exist.

Coordinator Ho reported the City Council had authorized the program; however, it had stalled. He announced that the City had hired a new Director of Public Works/City Engineer so he was hopeful the program would resume. He further noted that the group should continue to ask about the status of their applications.

Coordinator Ho announced that Amazon, FedEx and UPS had several shipping lockers/drop off locations in Antioch so consumers could pick up their packages at secure locations.

Chairperson White added that Amazon had lockers at 7/11, Walgreens and Home Depot.

Chairperson White announced the following meeting/presentation/events schedule.

10. FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS / EVENTS

- December 7, 2019 – Neighborhood Clean Up – Belshaw Elementary School from 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
- December 16, 2019 – Police Crime Prevention Commission meeting at 7:00 P.M.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rachel Mendoza reported that there had been several issues with an individual exhibiting mental health issues who had been disrupting the entire neighborhood. She noted they have not had any response to their request for contact from an official from the Antioch Police Department.

Chairperson White reported that Antioch Police Department could 5150 the individual; however, that was only a temporary solution.

Ms. Mendoza stated that the individual caused issues with the entire neighborhood. She noted that her mother lived in the area and hid her in her apartment.

Chairperson White suggested contacting the landlord of the apartment building and informing them that she was causing harm to the neighbors.

Ms. Mendoza responded that she had been working with Code Enforcement. She reported that the individual had broken out car windows and everyone feared approaching her. She noted that they had been unsuccessful at getting a police officer to come speak with them. She further noted that she feared that this individual would harm someone.

Chairperson White reiterated that she believed that the landlord should be contacted.

Ms. Mendoza stated that the landlord lived out of the Country. She noted there was a restraining order on this person; however, the mother hid her in her apartment.

12. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Commissioner Eubanks, seconded by Commissioner Morales Corona the Crime Prevention Commission members present unanimously adjourned the meeting. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Eubanks, Morales Corona, LaPoint and Chairperson White
Absent: Commissioner Lewis

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 P.M. to the next regularly scheduled meeting on December 16, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Kitty Eiden
KITTY EIDEN, Minutes Clerk