

Manitowoc Crime Prevention Committee Meeting May 5th, 2022

1) Roll Call: Amy Schoepp, Sgt. Paul Krock, Annie Short, Officer Miranda Check, Steve Kleinfeldt, Rita Muench, Charles Rasmussen, April Eisenschink, Nicole Palama, Violet Salley, Jackie LaBre, Cari Jaeger. Excused: Steve Czekala, Michele Thompson, Heather Buchko, Bob Dewane, Kelly Becker, Melia Prange, Amelie Doneff.

2) Minutes: Approved. 1st by Charles Rasmussen. 2nd by Jackie LaBre.

3) Treasurer Report: Approved. 1st by Steve Kleinfeldt. 2nd by Rita Muench.

4) Public Input: No public input.

5) Membership Matters. Sgt. Krock shared that the committee is at full capacity, however we are still seeking a representative from Lincoln High School. The transition of Amy to Annie for treasurer was discussed. It was shared that the financial accounts are located at Denmark Bank, and would like to bring it to a bank in the city of Manitowoc. However Denmark Bank shared that they will be merging with Bank First and the accounts would be transferred and new signatures would be needed. There is some time needed to set-up signature changes. The plan is to switch in May or June.

6) TRIAD Update: Sgt. Krock reported that members have been invited to the Felician Village Summer Picnic (July) where there will be an Elvis impersonator. TRIAD does not have regular meetings in June, July, August.

7) High School Members: No High School members were present, so no report.

8) MTPD Update: Each Officer will attend an 8 hour training session on EVOC/Firearms. DARE Graduations for Bethany and Roncalli were recently completed. DARE has been completed and will begin again in the fall and supplies will be purchased in July. The Public Auction will be held on May 14. Many found bicycles will be auctioned, citizens should continue to register their bicycles.

9) MTSO Update: Deputy Zach Smith was not present, so no report.

10) SRO Update: Officer Miranda Check reported that the Quick 50/25 seems to go in waves, but many reports on vaping incidents are reported. Vaping products with Delta 8 are being located including a student who was in possession of edibles. When the products are tested it does come back with the presence of THC. Lincoln is busier now that all sports, Prom (May 21) and Graduation (June 10) are in person.

11) Citizen's Academy: Graduation was held May 3rd. Annual fundraiser will be held this Saturday, May 7th at Festival's Brat Barn.

12) Healthiest Manitowoc County Substance Use Prevention Coalition: Annie reported that they participated in the Take Back Event. They have 4 more festivals utilizing the ID Scanners and Wristbands to limit underage drinking. They will also be conducting alcohol and tobacco compliance checks in the summer. Annie did share that they are also concerned about the Delta 8 Products as regulations are loose and many students are accessing the products. They are working with many coalitions within the state to determine best practices and talking points to address the issue.

13) InCourage Update: Violet reported that things are slowing down a bit. They had a good turnout for denim days and Hands Around the Courthouse. They still have their support groups for youth on Mondays at 4:30pm and for adults on Thursdays at 6:00pm. On May 18 from 5-7pm a self-care event will be hosted to recognize May as Mental Awareness Month.

14) City Council Update: Sgt. Krock reported that Alderman Czekala was appointed by the Mayor to serve another year on the Committee.

15) CPC Activities/Projects/Scams: The credit card scams are still prevalent and shared even a TRIAD member received a message that an iPhone was purchased at Wal-Mart but recognized it was a scam. Charles shared his wife just received the Grandparent scam phone call about how her son was injured, fortunately, she said asked which son and the scammer hung up.

Old Business: Manitowoc Police Department, the Sherriff's Office, Healthiest Manitowoc County, and the Recycling Center partnered with Holy Family Hospital to host a drive-through Medication Take Back event. 128 households participated and 201.4 pounds of unused/unwanted medications were collected. Discussion continued about National Night Out. One suggestion was to partner with Two Rivers and rotate between each city and host the one in Manitowoc at the Expo. Steve shared his concern with communities losing their identity. Sgt. Krock shared that currently police appear at block parties, but feel that may be losing interest. Then it was shared that the Library does family activities on Tuesday nights and another shared that potentially the Wharf could do a family night of entertainment and no alcohol sales. This way the event could be held on that street, but if the weather is bad things could be moved to the inside of each facility. Sgt. Krock believes he would have more time in the summer to dedicate to planning, but is open and hoping others would help with the planning.

New Business: Start thinking about recipients for the Annual Crime Prevention Award event. Sgt. Krock suggested Culvers. He shared they help with the Police Lights of Christmas event and provide ice cream tokens for kids. Steve asked to review if others have been nominated, but not awarded yet. Discussion will continue in June. Members are to bring their recommendations.

Dates to remember: Next meeting June 2nd at 6:30pm.

End of meeting. Meeting adjourned. 1st by Jackie. 2nd by Steve Kleinfeldt

Minutes submitted by Annie Short.