

# **MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee**

**Jon Reaud, Chairperson**

**Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson**

**Meeting Date: March 17, 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**

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**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 **March 17, 2016**. The meeting convened at **1:03 p.m.**

**Members in attendance:** Jon Reaud, Rev. David Robinson, Rev. Vernon Tubbs, Karl Duerr, Irmalyn Thomas, Alma Hodge, John Stafford, Pastor Dwight Benoit, Rev. William Wilson, and Sandra Womack.

**Members not in attendance:** Gene Bush, Glen Johnson, Jesus Abrego and Roy Steinhagen.

**City and Police Department personnel in attendance:** Cindy Bloodsworth Jeanis, Captain Chris Schuldt, Judi Rawls, Assistant Chief Wayne Jeffcoat, Captain Tim Ocnaschek, Chief Jimmy Singletary, Police Chaplain Howard Cameron, Assistant Chaplain Roosevelt Henry and Assistant Chaplain Big Jim Salles.

**Invocation:** Pastor Benoit.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence in memory of Sgt. Mike Lane

Sandra Womack–Roll Call

Chief Singletary introduced our new captains that were recently promoted, Captain Tim Ocnaschek, who is over the Administration Division, Captain Chris Schuldt, who is over the Criminal Investigations Division. Also, Captain Jason Plunkett is on vacation this week, but he will be over the Patrol Division.

Chief Singletary also introduced our new chaplains, Police Chaplain Howard Cameron, Assistant Chaplain Roosevelt Henry, Assistant Chaplain Big Jim Salles and Community Advisory Committee member Pastor Dwight Benoit is also an Assistant Chaplain.

Chairman Jon Reaud asked Chaplain Cameron how many members are in the CAPP program. He said that currently they have 45 members, even though some are not active. Chief said that

we will have once a quarter a community forum. The next one will be at Gospel Tabernacle Church.

Mr. Reaud introduced Roy McGrath, the President of the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. He spoke to the Committee to invite them to join the alumni association. He also said they are involved in many different things such as, Cops and Kids, Riverfest and Pecan Festival. They also just made breakfast for the officers, in which 85 personnel were served. They also have a fundraiser at the beginning of the year that helps fund several scholarships for the police academy.

Minutes from the February 2016 meeting were accepted via acclamation.

Mr. Duerr said that former committee member Mr. Rathgeber was doing better.

Mr. Reaud said that committee member Gene Bush is not doing very well.

Sgt. Candi Cox spoke to the committee on the RAD program. Officer Swope and Officer Wilson demonstrated some of the techniques. Chairman Jon Reaud gave a donation of \$900 on behalf of the committee to help purchase 3 more additional student suits.

Mr. Reaud said that we will table the Ride A Longs for this month. Mr. Duerr did say that Mr. Stafford and Mr. Steinhagen did ride out.

Cindy Bloodsworth said that Detective John Courts, per Sgt. Guedry, is in line for the next good deeds officer. Then Joseph Reyes and Tina Lewallen are to follow.

Also, Cindy said that there was a good turnout at the Bicycle Rodeo. The Reaud Foundation donated locks and helmets for the event. There was also a great BMX trick show, and a video clip is on our website. She is currently working on raising money for the Cops and Kids Carnival that will be coming up on August 20<sup>th</sup>. She should have the police department's annual report for the committee next month.

Captain Ocnaschek spoke about the flooding in the area counties, and along with the interstate 10 closing. Pastor Benoit mentioned about some families that are staying in the Lamar area that he can give the Emergency Management number to. Mr. Reaud mentioned that Officer Busby was affected by the flooding and if you would like to make a donation to him they have set up an account for him at Wells Fargo. The account# is 7727675170. He has lost everything and his wife is pregnant and due to deliver in the next few weeks.

**Benediction:**            **Rev. David Robinson**

**Meeting ended at 2:15 p.m.**

**Next Meeting:**        **Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Minutes Taken by:**    **Laurie Witterstaeter**

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