

MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee

William Sam, Sr., Chairperson
Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson
Meeting Date: June 19, 2014

Dwight Benoit
Tom LeTourneau
Alma Hodge
Ronald Bishop
Karl Duerr
Jon Reaud
Douglas Rathgeber

Dwaine Augustine
Gene Bush
Glen Johnson
Jesus Abrego
Irmalyn Thomas
Norris Batiste, III.

Call to order: A regular meeting of the Community Advisory Committee was held at **Beaumont Police Department Training Room**, 255 College Street, Beaumont, Texas on **June 19, 2014**. The meeting convened at **1:00 p.m.**

Members in attendance: William Sam, Sandra Womack, Glen Johnson, Karl Duerr, Alma Hodge, Irmalyn Thomas, Jesus Abrego and Tom LeTourneau.

Members not in attendance: Norris Batiste, Dwight Benoit, Ronald Bishop, Jon Reaud, Douglas Rathgeber, Dwaine Augustine and Gene Bush.

Police Department personnel in attendance: Cindy Bloodsworth, Chief James Singletary, Judi Rawls, Captain Jim Clay, Assistant Chief Wayne Jeffcoat and Lt. Jason Plunkett.

Invocation: Karl Duerr

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Mr. Sam would like an attendance list sent to his email.

Ms. Hodge has not been on a ride a long or been to the Citizen's Police Academy yet.

Mr. Sam said that the NAACP is having their annual banquet this Friday night.

There is also going to be a gathering in Terrell Park on June 19th if anyone wants to come out.

May Minutes: **Approved**

Ms. Hodge asked the Chief if there was a problem with people carrying the large guns around. Chief Singletary said that there are groups that are pushing for open carry laws for long guns but so far the police department has only had to arrest one person and that was because he was acting up.

Mr. Duerr said that he is an NRA member and a concealed hand gun carrier and he is opposed to carrying long guns in public. He thinks it puts a bad rap on the NRA.

Cindy Bloodsworth would like for the committee to know that Sandra Womack was nominated for the Excellence in Media award from the Press Club for all the hard work that she has done.

Also, Auto Theft Task Force will have an open house in July for Auto Theft Awareness Month. She will get a date and time out to you.

She will be soliciting for donations soon for Cops N Kids. October 31, 2014 there will be a trunk or treat and we will be trying to get donations for that also.

Ms. Thomas would like for everyone to know that there has been a great police presence in her neighborhood and is very appreciative. She has heard great things from her community and thinks the police department is doing a great job.

Mr. Duerr would like to know about the gaming ordinance. Chief Singletary said that Sgt. Custer has helped us out on getting access to the game rooms so that machines are registered to not only the state but the city as well.

Chief Singletary introduced US Marshal Robert Hobbs to the Committee.

US Marshall Robert Hobbs spoke to the Committee about what their department does.

Chief Singletary suggested that Federal Magistrate Keith Giblin be the next speaker and the Committee agreed.

Benediction: Karl Duerr

Next Meeting: **Thursday, July 17, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.**
Location: Police Training Classroom

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at **2:09 p.m.**

Minutes Taken by: **Laurie Witterstaeter**
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