SUMMARY NOTES FOR THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

March 12, 2014 Greenville, NC

The Police Community Relations Committee met at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at the Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Community Center (IGCC), 1100 Ward Street, Greenville, NC 27834.

The meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

There was not a quorum for the meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shawan Sutton; Chairperson, District 1 Belinda Perkinson; District 3

Richard Crisp; District 4

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Carol Naipaul; District 2 Marcus Jones; Mayoral Brian Paiz; At-Large Aaron Lucier; District 5

CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Captain Chris Ivey, Administrative Services Bureau; Sgt. Dale Mills, Platoon C; Sylvia Horne, Administration Services Support Specialist.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

OTHERS:

Several sign-in guest

SPEAKER TOPIC:

Community Input and Safety – Sgt. Dale Mills, Greenville Police Department

Cpt. Ivey introduced Sgt. Mills as the new PCRC liaison. He stated that Sgt Mills will be working closely with the PCRC Chair on the upcoming meetings and topics. Cpt. Ivey stated that he felt like it was going to be an exciting time for PCRC because the police dept. has a lot of new initiatives and innovative things to fight and prevent crime.

Sgt. Mills introduced himself to the committee and citizens. Sgt. Mills stated he had been with the Greenville Police Dept. since 2001, before serving with the police dept. he served as a Sheriff Deputy in Pitt Co. Sgt. Mills has worked in all three bureaus at the police dept. He worked 5 years as a sexual assault investigator, and spent 5 years as a recruiting officer, now he is back in the Field Operations Bureau as a supervisor.

Sgt. Mills touched on some (Part1) crime prevention strategies.

- Communicate with neighbors (talk, share information)
- Citizens locking their vehicles (don't' leave value out to be seen)
- Vehicle Break-ins (computers, ipads, loose coins, camera, etc)
- Suspicious people in the neighborhood (riding bikes, don't live in the neighborhood)
- Community Watch
- Field Interview Cards (Completed by police officer when out on a call)

Cpt. Ivey asked the citizens if they had a twitter or face book account. He informed the citizens that the police dept. had a (PIO) Public Information Officer that sends out tips and safety information of things that take place in the city. He also gave out the Kristen Hunter email address (khunter@greenvillenc.gov) so that the citizens can make contact with her for general questions, or concerns.

Sgt. Mills asked the citizens if they had any questions regarding the police dept. and if they had any concerns in their neighborhood.

Public Expression and Questions

Several citizens made comments and concerns. (dark gang, suspicious citizen in neighborhood.)

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