



NAC 1 Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 6, 2016

Whittier Elementary School

Recorder: M. Bowman

Location: Whittier Elementary School

Start Time: 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:40 pm

Attendance: 7 residents

POLICE REPORT:

Cpl. Snyder was on hand to discuss any issues or concerns in the NAC 1 area. He talked about an incident at Whittier Elementary School which involved arson. This happened on December 27th around 9:00 pm. The incident is still under investigation. Cpl. Snyder also went over the placement of the speed data collection boxes. They were placed in 6 locations and from the data, selective enforcement will be done.

Residents talked about a suspicious incident involving someone ringing doorbells at 4:00 am. The call was looked up and there was only one complainant who called the incident into FPD almost 12 hours after it happened. Residents are advised to call when an incident occurs so officers can come out.

The Frederick Police Department will be holding a Crime Summit on February 6th from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm at Hood College. Registration space is limited. For more information please contact Michele Bowman at 301-600-2091 or mbowman@frederickmdp.org.

CRIME STATS: October 30 – December 30, 2015

Calls for service (total)	406
Proactive Enforcement	65
Arrests	3
Significant Issues	Burglary/Arson at Whittier Elementary on 12/27/15

FOCUS FOUR CRIMES

Robbery	0
Burglary	1
Theft of Auto	0
Theft from Auto	5

CRIME PATTERNS/TRENDS/MISC

Community Crime Notifications	Theft from motor vehicles continues to be a problem.
Additional Needs	
Resident Issues/Concerns	Speeding is still a concern in the community.

Lt. Tokarz (Support Services Division Commander) was also on hand to talk about FPD recruiting efforts. Lt. Tokarz said that that we are allocated 144 officers and we have 145 currently. We are allowed to over hire to staff for anticipated retirements. He said this can be done for up to 6 months. Along with the 145 sworn officers there are also 48 civilian employees. The FPD is currently looking for Dispatchers and if anyone is interested they can apply online.

FPD is also hosting an academy which is going on now. There are 7 FPD recruits in the class. Along with the FPD recruits there are also recruits from other agencies to make up the class of 20.

Chief Hargis was also in attendance to answer any questions. He talked about the Chief’s Forum and asked for those interested to contact him. He is looking to gather input from citizens as to police policy changes, etc. He also said that the accreditation assessment was about 3 weeks ago and the outcome will be announced in March/April.

GUEST SPEAKERS

- **Mike Winpigler – Superintendent of Street Maintenance, City of Frederick**
Mike talked about a recent press release that went out to residents informing them that grass clippings cannot be put in the street (already an ordinance, but now will be enforced) due to the fact that the landfill will not take it when the

street sweeper comes through. The annual leaf campaign will continue for the months October thru December (exact dates tbd).

He also talked about snow removal and asked residents to please park their cars in their driveways as it helps the plow drivers clear curb to curb.

OLD BUSINESS:

- In the November meeting several traffic concerns were brought up to the City of Frederick Traffic Engineer, Devon Hahn. The issues were addressed.

City staff has reviewed several of the signal concerns and coordinated with DPW signal staff.

Rosemont Ave at Baughman’s Lane/Military Rd – Rosemont Avenue has 4 seconds of yellow clearance in both directions throughout the day. The sidestreets have 5 seconds of yellow. Note that this intersection is also influenced by the nearby fire house. When the fire station receives a call for service, they can activate a “special phase” to skip the other approaches at Rosemont & Baughmans and immediately service the Baughman’s Lane approach to assist in their response time.

Rosemont Ave at Montevue Ln – the inbound Rosemont Ave left-turn phase has been disabled to account for Fort Detrick’s current gate operations

Rosemont Ave at Old Farm –

currently the sidestreets (i.e. Old Farm Gate and Old Farm Dr) operate concurrently (together). However, IF no vehicle is present on the opposite sidestreet then the corresponding green will not activate. For example, if Old Farm Dr has a vehicle waiting but no one is exiting Fort Detrick, then the Old Farm Drive green light will come up but the Fort Detrick side will remain red. This may explain some of the confusion discussed at the meeting as far as not knowing when a vehicle on the opposite side may go or have to wait.

Note we are also reviewing this intersection for potential lane configuration (i.e. restriping) or traffic signal modifications to better address the mainline left-turn issue where vehicles waiting to turn left block the view of the opposing left-turn motorist. However, this will take some time to thoroughly review, develop and implement.

If residents have any questions regarding the above findings or signal operations, please feel free to reach Devon at: 301-600-1443 or dhahn@cityoffrederick.com

NEW BUSINESS:

SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 6th 8:00 am- 12:00 pm Crime Awareness Summit Hood College

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May 4th
July 6th
September 7th
November 9th

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Non-Emergency: 301-600-2100

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240-674-TIPS (8477) - text
fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org

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