

NAC 3 Meeting Minutes Monday, November 14, 2016 Monocacy Elementary School

Recorder: Michele Bowman, Public Information / Community Outreach Specialist

Location: Monocacy Elementary School

Start Time: 7:00 PM **End Time**: 8:30 PM

Attendance: 40 Residents

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Hargis, Lt. Dudley, and Sgt. Simmons were in attendance.

Lt. Dudley reported on the home invasion at Clover Ridge, assuring the attendees that the break in was not a random act and that the perpetrators do not live in this area. They were looking for something specific, and although they entered the house and restrained the family, no one was hurt. They home had an alarm but was not on at the time.

Sgt. Dudley also strongly suggested that if citizens who have video camera surveillance systems inside or outside their homes the police would appreciate it if they would go on the City Police website and register them. The police cannot access the footage, but they are keeping a data base of outside cameras and have been able to quickly solve some crimes by getting in touch with citizens and asking to review footage when a crime has been committed in the area, such as car or garage thefts, etc.

He also urged citizens to report stolen items giving the example of a recent arrest that yielded a person who had robbed 20 homes and the police now have possessions but do not know where to return them. It also assists them in seeing patterns of robberies.

Sgt. Simmons reviewed the below crime statistics and answered any questions. Chief Hargis talked about seat belt usage and said that Maryland had a 92% usage rate and it is going down. Please remind your friends, relatives, etc. to always wear their seatbelt.

CRIME STATS: September 12th – November 14th

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| Calls for service (total) | 616 |
| Proactive Enforcement | 147 |
| Arrests | 5 |
| Significant Issues | |

FOCUS FOUR CRIMES

| Robbery | 0 |
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| Burglary | 1 (Home Invasion) |
| Theft of Auto | 1 |
| Theft from Auto | 0 |

CRIME PATTERNS/TRENDS

| Community Crime | Lock your vehicle doors and remove valuables |
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| Notifications | Lock your garage doors |
| Crime Patterns/Trends | • |
| FPD Updates | FPD has openings for Dispatcher |
| Community Concerns | McLellan oversized white box truck parked on road |
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Michele Bowman also talked about being safe this holiday season! Some tips for holiday shopping safety include:

LOCK IT, HIDE IT, REMOVE IT

Lock your vehicle every time you leave it unattended

Hide any valuables that you have in your vehicle. Never leave items in plain view!

Remove all valuables from the vehicle when possible

WHEN SHOPPING

Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.

Park in a well-lit area and do not park in remote locations.

Be aware of your surroundings – Stay Alert.

If you see suspicious activity – report it.

Never leave your purse or wallet unattended.

Remove non-essential items from purse or wallet.

Avoid overloading yourself with packages.

Make frequent trips to your vehicle.

ONLINE SHOPPING

Make sure your PC has antivirus software and a firewall.

Shop only from reputable sites. Check that the sites begin with HTTPS.

Make purchases with a credit card instead of a debit card.

Monitor your credit and banking accounts regularly.

Use strong passwords to secure your online accounts.

Have mail order items shipped to a reliable address and track packages

GUEST SPEAKERS:

• Delegate Carol Krimm

Carol was on hand to talk about several things with residents. She said that the Center for Advanced Transportation Technology did a study and figured out user delay costs on certain stretches of highway. The study used the hourly rate of \$16.79. One of the studies was the American Legion Bridge to Rt. 85 ramp, 4.5 million vehicle hours of delay. Another stretch was I70 to Biggs Ford Road which was \$4,109,390 for one year.

Carol also talked with residents about half of FCPS's funding comes from the state budget and encouraged people to be engaged in the budget process.

• Ed Hinde – SHIP, Student Homelessness Initiative Program

Ed Hinde, Director of SHIP (Student Homelessness Initiative Project) program, noted that 1000 children in Frederick are considered "homeless." He also stated 20% of the school population are at or below poverty level. His group spend \$70,000 to shelter families in motels until they could get into placement. He noted that the situation was particularly difficult for teens because at age 14 and above they cannot go into shelter care, so they are on the streets. He mentioned that SHIP has a very effective Facebook page where the group's needs and special needs of children they serve are posted. He also said that folks have been very generous in going to the page, choosing a child and a request, and taking care of that child's special need. For more information please visit www.shipfrederick.com.

 Alderman Josh Bokee was in attendance and told residents if they had any questions or comment to please contact him.

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NEW BUSINESS:

COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Facebook: Search for City of Frederick NAC3 and click "Like" to receive updates/feeds.

Board Members:

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Non-Emergency: 301-600-2100

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