

MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee

Mr. Jon Reaud, Chairperson
Mrs. Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson
Meeting Date: April 18, 2019

Rev. Dwight Benoit
Mr. John Stafford
Ms. Alma Hodge
Mr. Jesus Abrego
Mr. Karl Duerr
Mr. Roy McGrath

Mr. Roy Steinhagen
Mr. Shawn Javed
Mr. Glen Johnson
Mr. Jonathan Owens
Rev. Vernon Tubbs
Rev. James Reed

Call to order by Community Advisory Committee 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 **April 18, 2019**.

Members in attendance: Jon Reaud, Karl Duerr, Roy McGrath, Sandra Womack, John Stafford, Shawn Javed, Rev. James Reed, Rev. Vernon Tubbs, Rev. Dwight Benoit and Glen Johnson.

Members not in attendance: Alma Hodge, Jesus Abrego, Roy Steinhagen and Jonathan Owens.

Members of the Police Department in attendance: Chief James Singletary, Chief Wayne Jeffcoat and Sgt. Tamayo.

Guest in Attendance: City Council Members Virginia Jordan and Bill Sam.

Pledge of Allegiance-Jon Reaud
Moment of Silence for Fallen Officers

Invocation: Rev. Reed

Roll Call

Minutes for March 2019 were approved via acclamation after correction of date.

Mr. Reaud spoke about having a workshop and reconfirming attendance and the importance for us to be attend the monthly meetings.

Our guest speaker Sgt. Tamayo was introduced by Chief Singletary. Chief said that Sgt. Tamayo will speak about how the department handles homicides. He also mentioned that we have five officers assigned to different tasks force and they are a great resource. He also mentioned that we could have Steve Hoffman come to speak to the committee in the future.

Sgt. Tamayo spoke to the committee on Homicides.

Chief Jeffcoat spoke about the emotional side of being a detective.

Ms. Womack asked about homicides that are not solved. Sgt. Tamayo said they still run them on the news and continue to work on them, never stopping.

Mr. McGrath thanked Sgt. Tamayo for all he does and Mr. Duerr also offered applause.

Rev. Benoit said he was blessed to be here and offered words of commendation to help solve crimes. He spoke about a mother identifying her son as the shooter and how he commended Sgt. Tamayo on working to solve the Pruitt Center crime.

Rev. Reed said he met with Brickyard Neighborhood Association and that they are trying to get the Neighborhood app also.

Councilperson Virginia Jordan said that cops are treated badly at the scene of the Pruitt Center.

Chief Singletary said that Crimestoppers helps out alot with the tips that we received.

Rev. Tubbs spoke about the CAPP Forum coming up in the North End Gospel of Jesus Church on April 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Sgt. Tamayo spoke about why the “perp” walks.

Ms. Womack asked about the family of the kids that commit murders. Rev. Benoit said that they need to take tragedies and turn them into triumph one at a time. There was discussion on what type of family the suspects came from.

Councilperson Sam thanked the committee for continuing to make this work. He also said that Ms. Hodge lost her father a couple of weeks ago and is now taking care of her mother. He wished everyone Happy Easter and thank you for all the good work the committee is doing.

Mr. McGrath was wondering how these people go from lifting car handles to committing murders. Sgt. Tamayo said that they have been carrying guns, if they are surprised they just kill. Some of the kids will do anything, they are just there for profit.

Mr. Javed spoke about a woman that her kids are out of control and they never listen to her and she did all the right things. He said he wanted to evict her and she put them out of the house. They had been gambling in the apartment while she was at work.

Chief Singletary said they just get to an age that you just can't change them. He said some will change, but a lot will not.

Chief Jeffcoat said it was a tough time to be a cop and thanked the committee for caring about what we do.

Benediction: Rev. Tubbs

Meeting Ended: 2:23 p.m.

Next Meeting: **Thursday, May 16, 2019 Canceled due to Police Memorial Ceremony**
Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in BPD Training Classroom

Minutes Taken by: **Laurie Witterstaeter/Administrative Assistant/Beaumont PD**