

MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee

Jon Reaud, Chairperson

Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson

Meeting Date: June 15, 2017

Rev. Dwight Benoit

John Stafford

Alma Hodge

Jesus Abrego

Karl Duerr

Roy McGrath

Mark Simon, Jr.

Roy Steinhagen

Irmalyn Thomas

Glen Johnson

Rev. David Robinson

Rev. Vernon Tubbs

Rev. William Wilson

Call to order by 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 **June 15, 2017**. The meeting convened at **1:05 p.m.**

Members in attendance: Mark Simon, Jr., Roy Steinhagen, Roy McGrath, Alma Hodge, Rev. David Robinson, Rev. Vernon Tubbs, Karl Duerr and Rev. Dwight Benoit.

Members not in attendance: John Stafford, Jesus Abrego, Irmalyn Thomas, Glen Johnson and Rev. William Wilson.

City and Police Department personnel in attendance: Chief James P. Singletary, Judi Rawls, Assistant Chief Wayne Jeffcoat, Captain Jason Plunkett, Sgt. Cody Guedry and Cindy Bloodsworth.

Invocation: Rev. David Robinson

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Sandra Womack–Roll Call

Minutes for May 2017 were approved via acclamation.

Chairperson Jon Reaud introduced Councilperson Virginia Jordan to the Committee and that Committee member Mark Simon, Jr. and Glen Johnson are in her Ward.

Councilperson Virginia Jordan spoke to committee on her background and things that she is trying to improve on in the City.

Mr. Simon brought up to Councilperson Virginia Jordan about the tent colony behind the Goodwill. Suggestions were made to take pictures and send to Chris Boone with the City.

Officer Nick Thompson said that he is the new downtown officer and that he attended a MHMR class and they spoke about grants that can help homeless people find places to live. Ms. Womack said that if there are veterans they may not have filed for some of their benefits to help them too. Mr. McGrath suggested code enforcement to see if there is anything they can do. Chief Clay said that the land owner has to initiate the no trespass affidavit. There were also discussions on these problems from Mr. Simon, Ms. Womack, Mr. Steinhagen, Mr. Duerr, Rev. Benoit and Mr. Reaud.

Rev. Benoit invited Ms. Eleanor, his sister, who is also a postmaster, to bring a letter from the Brown family in regards to an accident where a sister and brother were killed recently at Chinn and Eastex Freeway. Ms. Womack read the commendation letter. Captain Plunkett said he will get a copy of the letter to officers so they may read it also.

Mr. Reaud suggested that we should cancel the July 2017 meeting, since the training room wasn't available and they did not have anything pressing right now. It was approved via acclamation.

Ms. Hodge wanted to thank the officer for showing them the Milo system and that it was amazing how fast you have to think.

Cindy Bloodsworth said that August 26th will be our Cops and Kids Carnival. She will also be sending out an invitation to the Beaumont Crimestoppers Award Reception.

Benediction-Rev. Vernon Tubbs

Meeting ended at 2:23 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 17, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. (NO JULY MEETING)

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