

# MINUTES - Community Advisory Committee

Mr. Jon Reaud, Chairperson

Mrs. Sandra Womack, Vice Chairperson

Meeting Date: October 18, 2018

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

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**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 **October 18, 2018**. The meeting convened at **1:10 p.m.**

**Members in attendance:** Roy McGrath, Jon Reaud, Karl Duerr, Roy Steinhagen and Shawn Javed.

**Members not in attendance:** Rev. Dwight Benoit, John Stafford, Alma Hodge, Jesus Abrego, Glen Johnson, Jonathan Owens, Rev. Vernon Tubbs and Rev. James Reed.

**City and Police Department personnel in attendance:** Councilperson Bill Sam, Councilperson Virginia Jordan, Councilperson Mike Getz, Assistant Chief Wayne Jeffcoat, Assistant Chief Jim Clay, Cindy Jeanis, Captain Chris Schuldt, Chief James Singletary and Officer Haley Morrow.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

**Invocation:** Jon Reaud

Roll Call-Jon Reaud

Minutes for September 2018 were approved via acclamation.

Councilperson Bill Sam spoke to the committee.

He would like to see the following:

Make a report to Council once a month

Let them know where we are on complaints

If there were any problems we need to address

He said that the biggest complaint is how an officer speaks to people.

How to get officers involved in community. He said that a new officer should introduce himself to the area he is patrolling. He would also like to see more work with Internal Affairs and safety and security of our officers.

Mr. Javed spoke about 25 stores that got robbed and the media pressing them to get a statement. After the meeting that was held, everyone felt comfortable and were excited to see that the police were doing something on the cases. Meeting was helpful and wanted to thank everyone that made it happen.

Councilperson Sam said Neighborhood Association meetings are important.

Mr. Steinhagen said that Officer Morrow was doing a great job on social media.

Councilperson Jordan said that direct policing is important. She has the police department's number on her cell phone contacts.

Councilperson Getz said that Neighborhood Associations are useful and we should take advantage of getting information out to everyone.

Mr. Reaud said that he has some signs made up that say "We support Law Enforcement" if anyone would like a sign. Proceeds go to the 100 Club.

Cindy Jeanis said we are having our Cops and Kids Halloween carnival on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 2 at the Beaumont Civic Center. Fifty different booths and businesses will be there.

Chief Jeffcoat said there will be a Community Forum on November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Temple of Praise Church.

Mr. Reaud wanted to thank Councilperson Jordan and Getz for being here also at the meeting.

**Meeting Ended:** 2:21 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, January 17, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

**Minutes Taken by:** Laurie Witterstaeter  
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