

## **Manitowoc Crime Prevention Committee Meeting September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

**1) Roll Call:** Kelly Becker, Annie Short, Sgt. Paul Krock, April Eisenschink, Amy Schoepp, Violet Salley, Steve Czekala, Jackie LaBre, Heather Buchko, Nathan Hay. Excused: Deputy Zach Smith, Charles Rasmussen, Steve Kleinfeldt, Melia Prange, Anissa Fencil.

**2) Minutes:** Approved. 1<sup>st</sup> by Steve Czekala. 2<sup>nd</sup> by April Eisenschink.

**3) Treasurer Report:** Approved. 1<sup>st</sup> by Heather Buchko. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jackie LaBre. Annie made a motion to create a sub-committee that would conduct an annual audit of the Committee's finances which was seconded by Jackie LaBre. This will be discussed further at our next meeting.

**4) Public Input:** No public input.

**5) Membership Matters.** Nathan Hay was introduced as the newest Crime Prevention Committee member. Currently one open position as well as the Lutheran and Roncalli High School representative positions. The Common Council recently passed an ordinance that updated membership on City Committees from "indefinite" terms to two-year terms. Members can reapply every two years and be reappointed with no limit on the number of terms they can serve. Sgt. Krock will develop a process for the reapplication process going forward.

**6) TRIAD Update:** No update. Normal meetings resume last Thursday in September.

**7) High School Members:** No update. No members present.

**8) MTPD Update:** Sgt. Krock the Police Department now has Officers hired for all open positions, however several Officers are currently in the Recruit Academy. Officer Place will be continuing as a K-9 Officer and will be receiving a Belgian Malinois K-9 from Canada in the coming months. The Cop on a Rooftop fundraiser at Dunkin' Donuts on August 19<sup>th</sup> raised \$1,006. Sgt. Krock encouraged all members to attend the Cops @ Culver's fundraiser which is being held on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

**9) MTSO Update:** No update.

**10) SRO Update:** SRO McDonald will be joining us for our October Meeting. DARE begins next week at the northside public schools. Due to a DARE Instructor shortage, southside schools will receive DARE beginning early 2023.

**11) Citizens' Academy:** No update. Normal meetings resume the second Wednesday in September.

**12) Healthiest Manitowoc County Substance Use Prevention Coalition:** Annie Short reported that she has received reports that "Rainbow Fentanyl" is now in the Manitowoc area. Annie described "Rainbow Fentanyl" as brightly colored pills that are being used to target youth. Other communities have begun "one pill can kill" education campaigns. Annie also discussed possible future regulation of how many stores are allowed to sell CBD in the City of Manitowoc. If/when marijuana becomes legal in Wisconsin these CBD stores would likely convert to marijuana dispensaries.

**13) InCourage Update:** Violet reported that the ten-week course: My Life, My Choice which is meant to prevent sexual exploitation of females between the ages of 11 – 17 is beginning in September along with a Secondary Victim Support Group, which is a four-week course. Violet also reported that in October they will begin working on a rapid rehousing project that will limit the time individuals remain in the shelter and look at placing them in permanent housing.

**14) City Council Update:** Steve reported that City departments are busy preparing their budgets for the upcoming year.

**15) CPC Activities/Projects/Scams:** Sgt. Krock reported that a Manitowoc resident recently lost \$53,000 as a result of a computer/bitcoin scam. Sgt. Krock advised that a good rule of thumb is to never send money to someone that you don't know.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Annual Crime Prevention Award will be presented to Culver's at our October meeting.

**Dates to remember:** Annual Crime Prevention Award Ceremony on October 6<sup>th</sup> @ 6 PM followed by CPC Meeting @ 6:30 PM.

End of meeting. Meeting adjourned. 1<sup>st</sup> by Steve Czekala. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jackie LaBre.

Minutes submitted by Sgt. Paul Krock