

Manitowoc Crime Prevention Committee Meeting February 6th, 2025

1) Roll Call: April Eisenschink, Brett Norell, Bob Dewane, Steve Kleinfeldt, Rita Muench, Bently Wessel, SRO Joe McDonald, Deputy Zach Smith, Ami Benzinger, Mason Benzinger. **Excused:** Haelee Tlachac, April Eisenschink, Nicole Palama, Violet Salley, Charles Rasmussen, Jackie Labre, Lizzie Boss, Cari Jaeger

2) Minutes: Approved. 1st by Brett Norell. 2nd by Deputy Zach Smith.

3) Treasurer Report: Approved. 1st by Deputy Zach Smith. 2nd by Brett Norell.

4) Public Input: No public input.

5) Membership Matters: One open citizen spot remains on the committee.

6) TRIAD Update: Officer McDonald reported that January's meeting had good attendance. Tours of city/county areas in process of being scheduled. They will participate in the Senior Center Health Fair on May 14th from 8 – Noon.

7) High School Members: Bently (Roncalli) Recently had Catholic Schools Week. In process of signing up for next year's classes. School dance is happening on February 22nd. School preview night for new students will be scheduled this month.

8) MTPD Update: Officer McDonald reported that 2nd shift officer Matthew Klein promoted to Lieutenant. Temporary Detective Alex Nebel was promoted to Detective. First quarter in-service is underway and will wrap up in March. K9 Neko will be retiring February 19th. Officer Nick Place was selected as the Noon Rotary Officer of the Year. Captain McGinty retires February 7th. A new emergency call-in system was recently implemented; the Everbridge system will replace the old RAVE system.

9) MTSO Update: Deputy Smith reported that MTSO is seeing lots of movement due to promotions and retirements. MTSO is down to one process server due to retirements. One vacancy within the Detective Bureau has opened up. Working on first quarter in-service for DAAT refresher and casualty care/stop the bleed training.

10) SRO Update: SRO McDonald reported that a new semester has started which means truancy has resented. DARE at Roncalli has stated as well as the MPSD south side elementary schools. DARE Graduations will both be held mid-April.

11) Citizens' Academy/Alumni: Class starts this month. Officer Laabs will help facilitate class in Sgt. Krock's absence.

12) Healthiest Manitowoc County Substance Use Prevention Coalition: The coalition created a video called "It Saved Me" starring local Alex Hunt and his story with being saved by Narcan and how differently his life is today, which will premiere at the Narcan vending machine ribbon cutting. They have been nominated for an award by the Chamber of Commerce. The coalition is always looking for new members if interested reach out to Emily Longmeyer-Wolf.

13) InCourage Update: Violet reported via email that they are experiencing major staffing issues resulting in case managers to staff/cover the shelter to ensure someone is on site 24/7.

14) City Council Update: Alderperson Brett Norell reported that at the January meeting there was a badge pinning for Officer Klueckner. Received approval for the Mirro site to be cleaned up and remove contaminated dirt. Brett reminded us that citizens can reach out to their alderperson if they have ideas about possible change within the city. A concerned parent recently reached out about students crossing Dewey St. and a non-flashing sign will now be placed at the intersection of S. 14th and Dewey St.

15) CPC Activities/Projects/Scams: Officer McDonald reported that two local churches had members receive fraudulent text messages claiming to be from the pastor asking them to purchase gift cards which they would later be reimbursed for. Be aware of Bitcoin scam emails as well.

Old Business: Members whose terms expire in June have been contacted by Sgt. Krock with instructions on how to reapply. Applications are due by April 18th.

New Business: None.

16) Dates to remember: Next meeting **March 6th, 2025 at 6:30.**

17) Adjournment: 1st by Steve Kleinfeldt. 2nd by Deputy Zach Smith.

Minutes submitted by April Eisenschink.