

Manitowoc Crime Prevention Committee Meeting September 4th, 2025

1) Roll Call: Sandy Holschbach, Nicole Schleis, Jackie LaBre, Cindy Hogan, Rita Muench, Bently Wessel, Mason Benzinger, Violet Salley, Deputy Zach Smith, Charles Rasmussen and Sgt. Paul Krock. **Excused:** Haelee Tlachac, April Eisenschink, Heather Buchko, Brett Norell, Steve Kleinfeldt, Ami Benzinger and Jack Mellberg.

2) Minutes: Approved. 1st by Deputy Zach Smith. 2nd by Nicole Schleis.

3) Treasurer Report: Approved. 1st by Jackie LaBre. 2nd by Deputy Zach Smith.

4) Public Input: No public input.

5) Membership Matters: Lincoln and Lutheran High Schools spots currently vacant; seeking interested candidates.

6) TRIAD Update: TRIAD takes summer off, next meeting at the end of September. Members attended Bistro Concert at Felician Village in July. Eight people at National Night Out expressed interest in attending a future TRIAD Meeting.

7) High School Members: Bently (Roncalli): School year is off to a good start. Fall sports have begun and Homecoming will be held September 27th. Students are also participating in an upcoming school musical, Bye Bye Birdie.

8) MTPD Update: Sgt. Krock reported that MTPD has six officers currently in Field Training, with two officers currently in the "shadow" phase. The K9 Memorial Statue has been erected on the northeast corner of S. 10th & Jay St. Officers will be participating in DAAT training and annual firearms qualifications in October. Eighteen officers are currently using Kenwood radios on a trial basis. MPPA Police Chase is scheduled for Saturday, October 11th. MTPD has taken 2,000 less calls for service this year than at the same time last year. Aluminum pull tabs are also being collected at the PD for Ronald McDonald House.

9) MTSO Update: Deputy Smith reported that the Cops @ Culver's event raised approximately \$4,000 and the Manitowoc Culver's finished in the top five restaurants throughout the state. Lt. Aloff will be taking over for Lt. Tisler upon his retirement in January 2026. Deputy Orth was also recently promoted to Lieutenant. MTSO will be participating in their annual firearms qualifications in September as well as legal update training and policy review.

10) SRO Update: Sgt. Krock reported that Officer Brett Stout-Rojas is the new SRO at Washington Middle School. Recently several MPSPD paraprofessionals were trained as crossing guards so they could assist with students crossing the roads safely before and after school.

11) Citizens' Academy/Alumni: Sgt. Krock reported that the upcoming Citizens' Academy Alumni meeting will be held next week as they had taken the summer off. Alumni often help at various community events such as National Night Out. Applications for the 2026 Academy will begin to be accepted in mid-late November. The tentative schedule for the 2026 Academy is currently in the works.

12) InCourage Update: Violet reported that they recently hired a Sexual Assault Victim Advocate & Prevention Educator and are now fully staffed. Ten rooms are currently occupied at the facility. These rooms are filled on a first come first serve basis.

13) City Council Update: No update.

14) CPC Activities/Projects/Scams: Sgt. Krock reported on a recent text message scam claiming to be from the Amazon Safety Recall Team. The text message contains generic information about a safety recall and provides a link for the recipient to click on. The link directs the recipient to a website where they can enter personal financial information to receive their non-existent refund.

Old Business: National Night Out feedback was provided. Nicole Schleis made suggestions to have the welcome table stationed near the K9 squad which normally parks in the 700 block of Quay St. as well as having the Drone Demo take place prior to the K9 Demo.

New Business: Capitol Civic Centre was selected as the 2024 Annual Crime Prevention Award winner. 1st Deputy Zach Smith. 2nd Nicole Schleis.

15) Dates to remember: Crime Prevention Award Ceremony at City Hall (Council Chambers). **October 2nd @ 6 PM with meeting to follow.**

16) Adjournment: 1st by Sandy Holschbach. 2nd by Deputy Zach Smith.

Minutes submitted by Sgt. Paul Krock.