



Community Wellness & Public Safety Council (CWPSAC)

MISSION STATEMENT

Committed to leading the community problem solving-efforts that improve the quality of life for all citizens. Work assertively with the community to address the underlying conditions that lead to crime, disorder, and public safety concerns. Develop creative and innovative approaches designed to address all facets of community wellness, safety awareness, and education to protect all citizens of our community.

Meeting Minutes September 22, 2010

Chief Bergamine called the meeting to order at 4 pm. This meeting was conducted at Fire Station #14.

Attendance: David Adams, Cumberland County School System
Cherie Ames, Graduate Student, Fayetteville State University
Dr. Melissa Barlow, Fayetteville State University
Chief Tom Bergamine, Police, City of Fayetteville
Dr. Lorenzo Boyd, Fayetteville State University
Captain Mark Bridgeman, Police, City of Fayetteville
Dr. Robert Brown, Fayetteville State University
Kayre Chalellier, Fayetteville State University
Vanessa Davidson, Police Planner, City of Fayetteville
Dr. Miriam DeLone, Fayetteville State University
Dr. Michael DeValve, Fayetteville State University
Captain Kenneth Eaker, Police, City of Fayetteville
Officer John Fette, Police, City of Fayetteville
Deanne Gerdes, Executive Director, Rape Crisis
Dan Grubb, Police, City of Fayetteville
Dr. Lori Guevara, Fayetteville State University
Joe Hafner, XVIII Airborne Corps, Accident Investigations
Detective Chris Kempf, Police, City of Fayetteville
Rebecca Lemings, Citizen
Michele Lindo, Police, City of Fayetteville
Investigator Troy Looney, Provost Marshal's Office, Fort Bragg
Jami Sheppard McLaughlin, City of Fayetteville

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Attendance:
(Cont'd)

Beth Perry, The Speak Easy
Scott Perry, The Speak Easy
Josh Pillows, Student, Fayetteville State University
Leslie Quick, Graduate Student, Fayetteville State University
Kimberly Richards, Police Crime Analyst, City of Fayetteville
Mercedes Rodriguez, Region 6 Coordinator for Nuestra Seguridad
Rebecca Rogers-Carter, Management Analyst, City of Fayetteville
Kathleen Ruppert, Police, City of Fayetteville
Captain Roger Sullivan, Fire, City of Fayetteville
LT Jason Tatro, Provost Marshal's Office, Fort Bragg
Jackie Tuckey, City of Fayetteville, PIO
Lisa Vogel, MADD Sandhills

Chief Bergamine started the meeting by discussing the Youth Protection Ordinance (Curfew). City Council has requested that this topic be researched and a work group has been created and will make recommendations that Chief Bergamine will present to City Council on November 1 at the work session

Chief Bergamine then asked for updates from the sub-committees starting with:

Update for Marketing & Promotion Sub-Committee (Jackie Tuckey). Jackie Tuckey explained that her sub-committee had met a few weeks ago and narrowed the list down to five logos. She distributed a flyer with pictures of each logo. She requested that the CWPSC group select one of the five logos today and we can move forward and put this on the website.

Update for City/Military Relations (Joe Hafner). Joe Hafner explained that he distributed an email on September 14 expressing a new mission statement, and listing goals to include: getting community participation, continue supporting existing programs such as "Ghost Out" and "Booze It and Lose It", synchronizing calendars for special events. His powerpoint presentation can be downloaded to the logo on the website when available for all to view. He also discussed that Fort Bragg has recently lost six paratroopers due to traffic fatalities.

Update from Legislative Sub-Committee: Chief Bergamine explained that the Legislative Sub-Committee has distributed a post card with eight key issues listed:

- Parity of fines for speeding convictions in school zones and construction zones
- Advocate for legislation support local ABC Board
- Support legislation revising the nuisance abatement law
- Oppose legislation that creates unfunded mandates for local governments
- Support legislation for structure sentencing
- Advocate for the creation and enforcement of a local Child Protection Ordinance and other youth accountability measures
- Support efforts that increase jail capacity in our community
- Advocate for a local ordinance increasing responsibility and accountability in Entertainment Districts

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Chief Bergamine further explained that by "structured sentencing" we are asking for stiffer sentences for repeat offenders. A month ago, Mr. Iman tasked Assistant Chief Kimble to research the "Entertainment District" and address nuisance/noise issues. How can nightclubs live in harmony with surrounding neighborhoods? How can we use best practices for responsible night life? An adhoc committee has been created to include police/fire personnel and citizens, important to include stakeholders in this process. Officer Hudson, the nuisance abatement officer, is involved with this adhoc committee as well. This group is meeting twice a month to create a good working product and Assistant Chief Kimble will present the recommendations to City Council on December 6 at the work session.

Update for Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC). Dr. DeValve explained that this sub-committee met a couple of weeks ago. Their main focus is to get buy in for this program. Curfew issues were also discussed in this group. Captain Bridgeman explained that with the turnover of the District Attorney, this committee will approach Billy West and bring him up to speed on the goals of this group.

New Business:

Lisa Vogel explained the new Sobriety Court (rehabilitation program). Judge Tucker and Judge Keever revealed this new pilot program on September 13. Captain Eaker explained the concept of the sobriety ankle bracelet (GPS) to track subjects appointed by the Sobriety Court. Lisa Vogel also announced that MADD Sandhills will be sponsoring an event on Monday, October 18 at 6 pm at the Bordeaux Library, a Civil Attorney will be speaking regarding Alcohol and the Impact on Insurance for anyone who is interested in attending.

Volunteers were selected to serve on various smaller groups to coordinate the Youth Protection (Curfew) Ordinance. Academic research will include: what North Carolina is doing currently; what other areas of the country are doing currently; find out what other military communities are doing currently. Presentation will be made to City Council with the good/bad/ugly recommendations and we'll take direction from City Council at that time (November 1).

Dan Grubb, the Police Department Public Information Officer, explained that the COP TV program is not just a copy show. It's open for community participation and we'd love to see it utilized for programs that represent overall good of the community. Detective Silvia Jordan has done an outstanding job with revamping the Adopt-A-Cop program. We have over 40 volunteers (police officers) in 33 different elementary schools (public and private). This creates a positive image of police officers to children.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm. Youth Protection (Curfew) Ordinance committee members stayed to establish some time lines and coordinate plan for meeting on November 1.

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ACTION ITEMS

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- Consider goals & objectives, and measurements for success
- Establish list of "goals & objectives" for 2011.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR 2010:

November 3, 2010 West Regional Branch Library, 7469 Century Circle (off Strickland Bridge Road)
December 15, 2010 TBA

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