



City of Madison

Meeting Minutes - Final

PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW BOARD

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Wednesday, September 20, 2006

5:00 PM

Room GR 28 City County Building

Meeting was called to order by Chair Moen at 5:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Skidmore, Moen, Pasha, Scott, Bell, King; Excused: Lichtenheld, Smith

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

Date for November meeting

Dates are needed for both October and November meetings. Members will email Anita with available dates and meeting dates will be chosen from those.

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Amending Section 10.34(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to clarify that, in the event a building is assigned a new number by the City Engineer, an owner or occupant must attach or apply the new number to the building within twenty days.

Sponsors: Brenda K. Konkel

This matter was Reconsider and refer to a future meeting It was understood that City Engineering was not ready on this item yet.. The motion passed.

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Present: Paul E. Skidmore, Austin W. King, Larry Pasha, Tyrone W. Bell, Michael S. Scott and Terry E. Moen

Excused: Adam G. Lichtenheld and Amy R. Smith

Police Department Goals - Chief Wray

Along with a power point presentation, Chief Wray distributed written materials. Since "Police Department Goals" is such a large subject, his plan was to give about half of the presentation and then perhaps return at a later meeting for further information sharing. The information disseminated was to help tell members why the department is doing what it is in the community, and not just what is being done. The Strategic Plan has been updated with a simplified message. The Mission Statement for the department has been rewritten. Goals for 2006 include: 1) Mission statement and trust-based policing, 2) joint sharing re illegal gang-related activity, 3) reduce crime in conjunction with broader community focus, and improve overall quality of life in the Allied Drive neighborhood specifically (the Allied Drive report will be coming to the PSRB when finished by Captain Davenport), 4) evaluate and review the current function of ERO (Educational Resource Officer) in the high schools and 5) increase employee engagement at all levels of the organization.

Fire Department Report - Assistant Chief Keiken

Chief Keiken highlighted some of the budget items requested (ambulance for fleet, design of station #12, request for more firefighters and paramedics). An overview for Fire's Halloween plan will be given at the October meeting. Areas such as Allied Drive are also impacting the Fire Department - residents call an ambulance rather than a doctor for routine medical care. This in turn impacts the waits (long) at emergency rooms due to the sheer volume of what amount to routine medical problems now taken to ER (if call doctor, usually have to wait 2-3 months to be seen and many urgent care facilities have cut back on the hours they are open). Fire still responds the same with the ALS as before. The response time to Allied Drive is generally outside their 5 minute desired limit. Moving stations often creates gaps.

Policing in a Changing City - Larry Pasha

Larry Pasha provided a power point presentation along with handouts regarding "Disorder Reduction Partnerships." How do we bring the public up to where the department is? trust-based policing process out to the public? From what he has heard, the community wants immediate relief and officers want to be able to act more quickly. In London, England the "Disorder Reduction Partnerships" is being used - looks at behavior and not at people (eg, the way they dress). Emphasis is to get community to become more involved. An area like Allied Drive is so bad that the police would have to go in, get order restored, then step back and have the community take more control. This means confirming the consent of those who will be impacted by what the police do.

Discussion on Neighborhood Best Practices

Moen's questions involved how you predict which neighborhood is the next to go "bad" and how do you prevent that from happening? Can the PSRB go to neighborhoods - like Darbo, Vera Ct, etc. that were in total crisis and have been turned around - and find out what they did and how to stop new areas from disintegrating before it occurs? Skidmore suggested talking to the community leaders and neighborhood officers there. How do we find out the methods that were used in successful neighborhoods? Bell noted that taking ownership and reducing the density of areas would help. Scott has a commission to write from the national perspective on this subject. PSRB is looking for process - a task force composed of variety of people? Annual meeting of all neighborhoods for sharing of information and ideas. A starting point would be low income housing areas. But have problems associated with Broadway/Simpson, for example, moved to Allied Drive? Chief Wray agreed that the density issue must be addressed: how to improve the neighborhood and how to fortify other neighborhoods. A meeting(s) (conference) might serve needs better than a task force. More discussion to follow at future meetings.

Future Items

Allied Drive will be a future agenda item. Would like to meet there - Boys and Girls Club - for that meeting.

Standing Committee Reports

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 on a motion by Bell, seconded by Skidmore.