

VILLA PARK LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting – July 5, 2016

The regular meeting of the Villa Park Law Enforcement Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Vince Rossini at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of Villa Park City Hall. Roll was called and introductions made. Present were: Mayor Greg Mills, Councilman Robert Collacott, Richard Murg, Jay Wasserman, Tom Dodge, Wayne Silzel, Vice Chair John Whitman, and Chair Vince Rossini. Staff Present: City Manager Jarad Hildenbrand and Lt. Rob Gunzel. Absent was Erik Reynolds. Mike Felix arrived late.

There was no public comment.

The minutes from the June 6, 2016 meeting were approved, with one correction to change the word “catwalk” to “crosswalk”.

Lt. Gunzel presented the monthly crime stats, including citations and traffic collisions. In summary, construction tools taken from vehicle, 1 residential burglary (unlocked rear door) taken- wallet, cash and cellphone, 1 vehicle burglary, 1 vandalism of car at the Town Center, 2 commercial burglaries in the Town Center (suspects broke window to access Creamery and Bagel Me). A similar occurred at China Panda in May and deputies have been advised to increase surveillance at the Town Center. 23 traffic citations issued. Incidents are available for review on the Sheriff’s Blotter online at www.ocsd.org/blotter. Lt. Gunzel will present the June figures at the July meeting of the Villa Park City Council.

Mary Beth Felcyn, VP Resident, discussed her experience with school drivers on Serrano Ave, Featherhill Drive and Dodson Way. Concerns included parking problems, illegal U-Turns, excessive traffic flow and the rude behavior of drivers which is a continuing problem. Felcyn reported the parents informed her that the School Resource Officer told drivers they could park and wait in their cars on Featherhill and Dodson without being ticketed. Felcyn requested increased enforcement, a monthly report of tickets issued, and random patrol checks of the area. The committee discussed short, medium, and long term solutions to alleviate the problems. A motion was made and carried by a unanimous voice vote to recommend that the City Council implement “No Standing/Stopping” restrictions on Featherhill Drive and Dodson Way. City Manager Hildenbrand reported the matter would be considered by Council at its July meeting.

Wayne Silzel gave an update on the Neighborhood Watch (NW) program. Prior to the Law Enforcement Advisory Committee (LEAC), NW subscribers numbered about 75, it is now at 155. LEAC has provided local traffic issues, crime statistics directly to residents through NW week letters that keep citizens better aware and focused on neighborhood safety. Residents are urged to call 714-647-7000 (non-emergency line to the dispatcher) immediately with as much information as possible, including a description of the activity, the person, vehicle, license number, etc.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is coordinating a refresher course for Villa Park CERT members. More information to follow.

The Professional Service Responder (PSR) program currently has two volunteers with two additional volunteers going through the training process. Both PSR vehicles are now available for use. PSR’s can

check out vehicle from City Hall during normal business hours. The committee will recognize Tom White for his generous donation at its August meeting.

Roadway safety engineering recommendations were discussed about ways to protect children and residents that walk at the crosswalk at Nichols and Serrano. City Manager Hildenbrand presented cost estimates for the installation of bollards at crosswalk/catwalk, approximately \$4,000, and a motion was made and carried by a unanimous voice vote to approve the installation before the new school year begins in late August.

The committee discussed accidents over the past 20 years at Roberto and Collins. It appears this is a dangerous intersection due to the blind corner at Collins and Prospect, and should be analyzed to protect the safety of our residents. The matter was continued to August's meeting.

The committee discussed the potential installation of speed humps as well as other traffic calming measures on Lemon and Center. The matter was continued to August's meeting.

Save the date: National Night Out on August 2, 2016 in the Town Center.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. The next meeting of LEAC will be August 1, 2016, 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of Villa Park City Hall.

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DATE: July 24, 2016
FROM: Mary Beth Felcyn
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TO: Greg Mills, Bill Nelson, Bob Collacott, Rick Barnett, Diana Fascenelli
CC: Jarad Hildenbrand

First, I am requesting a correction to the Minutes of the July 5, 2016 LEAC meeting.

I did not state "The School Resource Officer informed drivers that they could park and wait in their cars on Featherhill Drive without being ticketed."

I reported my conversations with two drivers, who explained that the PFSO said it was OK to park on Featherhill Drive and Dodson Way as long as they remained sitting in the car."

Further, I do not recall the SRO being mentioned during the meeting.

Second, I want to thank Councilman Greg Mills, who championed the recommendation for the Council to implement "No Standing/Stopping" on Featherhill Drive and Dodson Way.

Thank you.



Mary Beth Felcyn