## Neighborhood Watch Board of Directors' Meeting Columbia Police Department Conference Room May 8, 2006

Name	Present	Absent	1 <sup>st</sup> 3 year	2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 year	Expire
<b>Conrad Howe</b>	Х		Х		09/08
James Russell	X		X		09/07
Melissa Hendren		Χ		X	09/08
Brenda Campbell	X			X	09/07
Hugo Vianello	Х		Х		09/06
Dan Adams	Х		Х		09/08
Arthur Rikli		Х		Х	09/07
Anne Westfall		Х		Х	09/08
Jim Dyer		Х	Х		09/08
Mike Hayes	Х				
John White	Х				

The mission of Neighborhood Watch is to provide information and assistance which encourages neighborhood involvement to be effective watchful neighbors with the goal of reducing crime.

Meeting called to order at 8:06AM by Mr. Howe.

The minutes from April 11 Meeting was approved as written.

Treasurer report was presented by President Howe. Mr. Howe said that the bank statement as of 4/30/06 was \$2,552.74.

## **Old Business**

No Update on the 501 C 3 application.

Web Page: Officer Hayes needs to have MSACCESS on his computer. Once that happens the web page should be ready. Stats will be on a bi-weekly. Also would like to add a photo gallery.

Organizational: Officer Hayes should have the entire new training program done by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

## New

Officer Hayes reported that instead of the annual march against crime, which is held with the national night out (Aug 1<sup>st</sup>) there will be a big get together at Douglas Park. It will be a carnival type of atmosphere. Officer Hayes invited any board member that can attend to come out.

Reports from Officer Hayes and Sgt. White:

There where 60 entries for the poster contest. The winner used the "Buckle Up" concept for her poster.

Officer Hayes also reported that he attended Public Safety Conference for recruiting, awarding, and retaining volunteers. He said that our goal should be 5 to 6 new volunteers a year.

He also suggested having a periodic planning meeting. He thought we should have one by middle of June. Also having Captains training on a regular interval.

Donation request will go out in the next newsletter.

Officer Hayes asked how many made the volunteer reception and thanked Brenda Campbell. He also apologized for putting her on the spot to make comments about the NWB.

Columbia now has a mounted Horse patrol unit. Mid City Lumber donated the Horse trailer. They have acquired a military pick up to haul the horses around, and MFA Inc. is donating the feed. The first time they can be seen will be at the air show. This team will not be doing any actual patrolling they will mainly be used at public relation functions.

Motion made to adjourn – motion passed meeting was adjourned at 8:56 am

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Russell Secretary

Next meeting will be June 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 am at Columbia Police Dept.