

# **Neighborhood Watch**

## Meeting Agenda

September 8, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

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.

Call to Order: Greg Reed - Welcome Guest - Bill Cantin - City of Columbia -

**Neighborhood Communications Coordinator** 

Approval of previous month's meeting minutes: Sam/Bill

Treasurer's Report: Sam Losapio - \$664.36 in checking

Approval of Treasurer Report: Bill/Jeff

Sign Committee Report: Mary Wozny No new signs installed. She has the order of new signs in her

garage and will move to city storage. Bill will aid Mary in

replacing bad signs.

### Adjustments or Additions to the Agenda:

### **Old Business:**

- Training Video Voted to have Mediacom to reshoot, edit and voice over for about a 15 minute training video.
- Training for October 14 confirmed for Gentry
- Board Membership still working on recruitment: Andre Bernacik and Bill Beacher did not attending this meeting
- Active Status Discussion What constitutes an active Neighborhood Watch Sam/Bill - Board voted to accept Jeff's definition.

A Neighborhood Watch shall be considered active so long as the Watch Captain or other member of the watch group reports to the Columbia Neighborhood Watch Board during the Annual Watch update period in August of each year.

The Watch Captain or other member shall verify that their group is still active. They will also verify the members of the group along with their emails and addresses.

Should a Watch group fail to report, they will not be considered active until such time as the verifying information is presented to the Watch Board. The Board will try to contact

groups that fail to report during the update period to ascertain what is the status of that group.

If a group fails to report two years in a row the Neighborhood Watch signs for that groups location may be removed and used for new watch group locations.

#### **New Business:**

- **Bill Cantin** Tries to get Neighborhood Associations to be more active, Will give about 15 minute talk at Annual Meeting.
- Confirmed that Chief Burton and Assistant Chief Gordon will attend annual meeting.
- Review Ad Sam has created and bought in the Tribune for Annual Meeting.
- What constitutes an active Neighborhood Watch Group?
  - Jeff's definition board discussion tabled to next meeting
- **Discussed City funding** Must spend before Sept 30, Will get another \$3,000 from City around this Friday.
- Reviewed Greg's Annual report to be given at the Annual Meeting.
- Confirmed That the ARC is set for the Dec Training.
- Discussed What happens when a Board Member misses three meetings in a row.
- Jeff accepted the position of Secretary.
- Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.



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			1st 3 Year	2nd 3 Year	
Name	Present	Absent	Term	Term	Term Ends
Greg Reed, President	x		x		
Sherri O'Dell VP		x	x		
Vacant - Secretary					
Sam Losapio, Treasurer	x				
Angela Haigh		x	x		
Mary Wozny	×				
Melvin Buckner	x				
Jeff Hempstead	x				
Bill Pauls	x				

Vacant

Submitted by, Jeff Hempstead