

CoPAC Attendance Sheet

For meeting: Tuesday November 24, 2009

Abbv	Association Name	Representative in attendance	Alternate in attendance
CHE	College Heights East NA		
DAY	Downtown Association of Ypsilanti		
DTA	Depot Town Association		
EPP	East Prospect Park Neigh Assn		
EMU	Eastern Michigan University		
FYPD	Friends of the YPD		
GCC	Gateway Community Council		
GER	Gerganoff NA		
HER	Heritage Park NA		
EST	Historic Eastside		
HSS	Historic Southside		
MID	Midtown		
MLS	Miles Area NA		
NOP	Normal Park NA		
PPK	Prospect Park NA		
PRG	Prospect Gardens NA		
RS	Riverside NA		
SM	Stadium Meadows		
WDR	Woods Rd NA		
WGR	Worden Gardens NA		
YCC	Ypsilanti Chamber of Commerce		
YHC	Ypsilanti Housing Commission		
YPD	Ypsilanti Police Department		

Other Attendees

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Community Policing Action Council
November 24th, 2009
Haab Building
6 p.m.

Agenda

- 6:00 – 6:01 Call to order
- 6:01 – 6:05 Approval of Minutes
May minutes approved
- 7:15 – 7:30 Police Report(s) Lt Annas &/or Lt DeRidder (moved up)
1. Pole-mounted camera system (18:05, Lt Annas)
 - a. Pole cameras are in! Paid for with tech grant (along with some other cool tech stuff- in-care cameras, etc)
 - b. Test series beginning soon
 - c. Grey boxes, ~20'up, motion-activated. Solar battery powered.
 - d. Will be placed in problem areas- tagging, dumping, etc.
 - i. If there's a specific concern, keep it in mind- they'll be soliciting requests in January. Will go through CoPAC/neighborhood associations
 - ii. Wireless downloading to police cars
 - iii. Ready to launch early January
 2. Inter-cooperative agency team (ICT) (1814, Lt Annas & Lt DeRidder)
 - a. Opening stages of getting the SWAT team streamlined- will have one team countywide (A2, Ypsi, Sherriff)
 - i. Shared equipment pool (needs some work on storage, compatibility, cross-training), will be sensitive to each community's needs, means have a larger backup pool of staff/equipment, response times will not suffer, will still have two teams on call- just one training group
 - ii. Ready to go March 1st (projected)
 - b. K9 units already working together
 - c. UM is working with ICT- have K-9, have SWAT team- need some work with Regents Board.
 - d. EMU - there is definitely some existing cooperation, but it's a big change to a different structure and mindset, will take time.
 - e. Regional community-based policing- can be tricky, but they're gonna do it. Social "get to know your police officer" events (ex, basketball), patrols across borders, etc.
 3. Citizen's Police Academy (1820)
 - a. Not going to happen this year- not enough manpower, not enough cash.
 - b. Maybe next year, it'll be regional?
 4. Dispatch w/WCSO (1833, DeRidder)
 - a. Every muni has its own dispatch center right now

- b. Came up as part of ICT program
 - c. Everyone in County is now on same radio system- helps with response times (upgrade was part of voter-approved funds)
 - d. YPD (&FD) has 4 dispatchers- they do everything front-of-house/admin-y, as well.
 - e. A2 & WC dispatch are now going to be working out of one location
 - f. YPD would realize ~\$85k almost immediately, joining this coalition and moving dispatch to the county/a2 coalition
 - i. Would be more efficient from a functional standpoint as well- dispatch will be better staffed, be better able to focus on effectively distributing resources
 - ii. YPD would be better able to staff- no longer have to call in an officer if a dispatcher calls in sick
 - iii. Will also be better able to handle cell phone calls- right now cell calls get routed to County then back to Ypsi; with consolidation, would be able to skip that second routing step.
5. Budget (1853, Lt DeRidder)
- a. \$1.4 million budget cuts for next year (Jul 2010 to Jun 2011)
 - b. 35 sworn officers currently, 33 active currently (no chief, couple people out on leave- military, maternity)
 - c. YPD needs to trim \$500k
 - d. Plan 2- reduce personnel (~5 people)
 - e. Plan 1- dispatch savings (\$85k), some \$300k in PSAP savings they can use to pay dispatch contract, have some in forfeiture account (ill-gotten gains- drug, prostitution seizures- specific limits on spending) (~\$500k)- use to create narcotics unit to take advantage of that money
 - f. Have to keep the core services- chasing calls- so community policing will suffer. Neighborhood associations need to help step up with encouraging residents to call, report, keep an eye out.

6:05 – 6:10 Treasurer's Report
(Oct 27 \$2719.83)

6:10 – 6:40 Old Business
1. Ypsi Open House report

6:40 – 7:15 New Business
1. Growing Hope- Community Gardens

- a. Ashley Bishop & Wendy Watson (wendy will be new community organizer) (1915)
 - i. Community and School Garden Development Institute
 - ii. How to start a community garden- helps people take steps towards food self-sufficiency
 - iii. 5-week course- once per week for 2 hours

- iv. Starts January 21st, 630 to 830 at the SPARK building
- v. For more info- info@growinghope.net; 734-786-8401
- vi. December 8th & December 22nd @Corner Brewery, 3pm to 7pm.
- vii. **(will put a link on the website to GH)**

7:30 – 7:45 Committee Reports

1. Picnic (DAY, Riverside): Sept 27! Next organizers?
 Fantastic event!
 Victor said he'd donate/volunteer the grill every year
 -find who has volunteered in years past- who is due for next time?
 -any volunteers?

7:45 – 7:55 Neighborhood Reports (2 minutes each) 1922)

HSNA- Steve- 300 block S Washington, speeding on Hamilton (1915)

Holiday party- open house Dec 19th 7pm @ Steve's- BYO dessert

EPPNA- Mark- nothing really to report right now.

Heritage park 12 December w/YPD & Parkridge cookout @1pm

Stadium Meadows-

Depot Town - December 5th Christmas tree lighting, caroling, etc

Depot, DAY, Riverside, DDA- December 4&5, starlight express reindeer@ Materials unlimited, luminaries connecting depot town and depot town (thanks Jaycees!), santa at Mongolian, coupon books available at...rocket, wolverine, studio glamour fashion, what is that, Mongolian, most of the downtown merchants have 'em- pick one up! Email Kevin for more info

Normal park night of lights on the 12th, get-together at the Sr Center near the beginning for snacks

Home Tour- December 5th – 12-430- org'd by Meals on Wheels, sidetrack, haab's, simply devine, enchanted florist, have tickets for sale

7: 55 – 8:00 Calendar Review & Agenda Items for next meeting

Next Executive Board meeting: January 5, 2010 (YPD)

Next Regular meeting: January 26, 2010 (Haab)