

ATTENDING:

Sgt Ian McCollum; Sherry Jackson; Sue Jackson; Ann Marie Duffy; Richard Vear; Leonard Allen; Ed Fett; Frank Ryan; Dick Acchione; Darlene Acchione; Barbara Sherry; Robert McCollum; Steve Berian; BJ Berian; Bob McCollum; Tim Allen;

Meeting started @ 19:00

AGENDA:

- 1 Introductions - all attendees introduced themselves.
- 2 Reviewed Last Meetings minutes -
 - 2.1 Problems on Lancaster Rd;
 - 2.2 EFPCA meets @ 2nd Wednesdays / month;
- 3 Updates -
 - 3.1 Additional Block Captains: ;
 - 3.2 We helped to nab 4 suspects that were terrorizing our neighborhood; article about it @ Spfld Republican @ 071709. They are/were OxyContin addicts. We should use this article as an example of what our group does.
 - 3.3 Need more Good Neighbor Handbooks, so that the Block Captains can pass them out to their neighbors. We have to ask our neighbors to READ these Handbooks. Doing so will keep the local real estate VALUES up. Perhaps we can arrange to have the Handbooks sent out with the City Tax bills. Or at least a note [on day-glo orange paper] giving the web-address of the online version of the Handbook.
 - 3.4 There was a guy shot 5 times on Quincy Street [@6 Corners] last night, along with another guy, who died at the scene. The guy w/5 shots in his belly, went to Murphy's @ Island Pond, to call the Police. This occurred around 10:15pm.
 - 3.5 We are recruiting additional members.
 - 3.6 There's an active drug house on Ashbrook Street. #40. [David Gula, a kid who grew up on the street, in that house, is the perp.] It's been reported repeatedly. Sherry Jackson; Sue Jackson; Ann Marie Duffy; are all concerned. They've been in-touch with Police, Health Dept., etc. The Police [Bob McFarland] have been contacted several times.
 - 3.6.1 In the future, contact Kathy Brown [H-733-0390; Kbrown5656@verizon.net; W-413-787-6359; KBrown@springfieldpolice.net] She is the police drug control contact. & the head of Community Policing.
 - 3.6.2 Sue Jackson has a log of visitors to the house, with dates, times, and license plates. It's a heroin den; the father [of David] who lives there is aware & may be involved.
 - 3.6.3 Sgt McCollum will look into it & report back.
 - 3.6.4 Lots of neighbors in that area are scared; some terrified.
- 4 Formulate Vision Statement -
 - 4.1 Re-naming our group: "East Forest Park Neighborhood Watch" currently; "East Forest Park Neighborhood Crime Watch" possibly. We'll think about it between now and our August meeting.
 - 4.2 We could get some blue & white Neighborhood Watch signs; Ian will check into getting some thru the Sheriff's Dept.
 - 4.3 What's our relationship with the Sector H Meetings? The Police give & get more details in those meetings. They are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month, at the JCC on

Dickenson Street. Mark Anthony [former District Police Chief] runs those meetings. Bob McFarland, the current District Chief, is often the principal speaker.

5 Questions & Answers

5.1 Tim Allen, big brother to Richard Allen, and a 33yr resident of Ward 7, is running for City Council. He has financial background, with work at MassMutual [27 yrs]; now manages "StepUp Springfield". He's interested in our issues. He lives on Newton Road.

6 Meeting adjourned at 20:08.

NOTES:

- Steve to email minutes to all members with listed email addresses
- Please see Membership List attached.
- Steve to email Kathy Brown notes on #40 Ashbrook Street, per these minutes
- re: Quincy St shooting:
 1. http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2009/07/shooting_death_of_hasson_dunca.html?category=Crime&category=Deaths&category=Springfield
 2. http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2009/07/2_men_shot_on_quincy_street_in.html?category=Crime&category=Springfield
- 7/17/09 SR Article: