**LOCATION:** 18th District CPD (Community Room); 1160 N. Larrabee St. (312-742-5870); 6PM - 7:15PM

**RECORDER:** Miriam Waltz

ATTENDEES:

**Committee Members:**

Karl Costello, Chairman

Sue Elster

Tony Falada

Catherine McGrath

Rick Neal

Noelle Tochet

Miriam Waltz

**Public:**

Brent Phillips

Kelly Zidar

**ACTION ITEMS FROM MEETING:**

1. Karl will notify Noelle and Rick about the meeting date/time Craig Kaiser (Beat Facilitator) establishes for the Crime Reduction Focus Group. Noelle and Rick are our liaisons to that group. Noelle and Rick will inquire of Craig how to better understand how metrics/crime stat data are used and possibility for leveraging CRFG system for River North.
2. Miriam to get input from Kristine Campbell on CRFG Metrics.
3. Tony and/or Miriam will attend the July 6 CAPS Resident Mtg. since Karl is oot of town. Tony and Miriam will:
4. request that Officer Douglas provide Court Advocacy Group Training for our next PS Committee meeting on Aug 30.
5. inform Martha Donnelly of concerns from 40 N. LaSalle (Mike Downs letter to Alderman)
6. communicate concerns about alcohol/marijuana use in Ward Park after hours (11PM) by young adults communicated by numerous RN residents since “Movies In The Park” Program has begun.
7. Karl will remain in touch with Craig Kaiser about future RNRA PS Committee participation in Streeterville Community Walks
8. All - Please mark your calendars for Aug 1 and plan to attend the 18th District CPD’s National Night Out.
9. All - Please sign up to attend CAPS meetings on Sept 6 and Nov 2. Please sign-up using sign-up genius.
10. All - Next PS Committee Meeting - Aug 30. Kristine has signed up (on sign-up genius) to record the meeting.

**MINUTES**

1. Introductions

Kelly Zidar and Brent Phillips from 400 N LaSalle attended the meeting as members of the River North Community. Kelly and Brent were made aware of the meeting at a 400 N Lasalle Homeowners meeting.

2. The minutes of the April 27, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved.

3. All Future PS Committee Mtg. will be conducted at the 18th District Community Room at 6pm. The remaining dates are:

* + - Aug. 30
    - Oct. 25
    - Dec. 6

4. Reviewed Protocol for Public attendance which allows for committee business from 6:00 to 6:45 and public input from 6:45 to 7:15.

5. PS Committee Members Duties/Responsibilities and Updates

* 1. 18th District Beat Facilitator Crime Reduction Focus Group (Noelle Tochet and Rick Neal) - Noelle and Rick were not able to attend the CRFG meeting on June 8 with Craig Kaiser. Karl will notify Rick/Noelle of next CRFG Meeting Craig Kaiser schedules.
  2. ICAMS/ClearMap Crime Data/Metrics Coordinator (Miriam Waltz) - Streeterville Neighborhood Advocates creates crime metrics from city database. Feedback from Craig Kaiser and Kirstine Cambell on action-ability and usefulness of the information would be helpful. Miriam to provide metrics to Christine. Noelle and Rick to discuss with Craig. The intent is for the PS committee to have information to review with police about trends in neighborhood.
  3. Court Advocacy Liaison - No one has volunteered for this important role which provides extra emphasis/attention on cases involving our community. Tony to request that Officer Douglas provide group court advocacy training at the PS August meeting. A blast email will be sent so the public can attend and a pool of qualified individuals can be available for the role of Court Advocate.
  4. CAPS Resident Meeting Rep- Tony and potentially Miriam will cover the July 6 CAPS resident meeting.
  5. RNRA PS Committee Recorder – Please sign-up on Sign Up Genius to record the future PS Committee meetings.
  6. RNRA PS Action Item Coordinator: Define Our Actions
     + - * “Ride Along Program” - No update as of this time
  7. RNRA PS Committee Bldg Advocacy Coordinator - Further discussion needed to define this role if it is necessary?

6. RNRA PS Committee Member Recruitment - Mickie and Karl are trying to pursue members from buildings East of LaSalle.

7. Other Updates (Karl)

* 1. “Coffee W/The Commander” - Coffee with the Commander has been cancelled until September.
  2. National Night Out (Aug. 1, 2017) 4 - 7PM; 1160 N. Larrabee - Please mark calendars and get neighbors to attend. Great opportunity to meet police force.
  3. July Calendar of Events
  4. Ward Park Issues
     + - Homeless Sleeping Loitering - This has been reduced, but there is still one homeless person sleeping in the park.
       - Young Adults after 11PM drinking alcohol in playground, smoking marijuana.
       - Pictures: Pic 1; Pic 2
  5. Pink Taco (Former “Bull and Bear” Location – Karl will meet with Mike Downs, HOA President (400 N. LaSalle) on July 26 about their concerns:

1) Enforcement of Liquor Licenses

2) Pink Taco and Continued Expansion of Party Bars

3) Safety Incidents at the 401 N Wells Parking Garage.

* 1. Streeterville Community Walk - Craig Kaiser SNA Streeterville Neighborhood Advocates leads a regular walk through Streeterville with residents and police. The purpose is social, relationship building with police, and educational. Points of interest in the neighborhood (e.g., art, etc.) and safety concerns are pointed out on the walk. PS Committee to consider doing similar walks.
  2. Concrete Cowboy - Alderman’s Office is communicating owners and sent a letter to BACP requesting that the Community Meeting Process be started with Concrete Cowboy. Alderman Reilly attended the June CAPS Hospitality Meeting and commented on the misbehavior of some bars ruining the situation for all bars.
  3. Bottled Blonde Update - The Law Department will have a status update on July 11 on the city’s case against Bottled Blonde. Two deaths (car crash and suicide) of Bottled Blonde patrons were reported on Monday after they had been at Bottled Blonde.
  4. Deleterious Impact Ordinance - The Deleterious Impact Ordinance lays out the lengthy process required to pursue cases against businesses causing quality of life/nuisance/safety issues in the neighborhood.
  5. DNA Info would like access to PS Committee document. If anyone is approached by them, refer to Karl. Committee members are not authorized to speak to press on behalf of RNRA only as residents.
  6. Cabrini Green Row Houses FIREWORKS - The fireworks were addressed due to residents calling 911. The importance of calling 911 cannot be stressed enough.
  7. Resident Questions and Concerns - No concerns were raised by residents in attendance. Karl and PS Committee thanked both Kelly and Brent for attending and encouraged them to “spread the word” to their neighbors that these meetings are open.
  8. CAPS Residents Meetings (115 W Chicago; 2nd Floor 6-7pm) - Tony and possibly Miriam will attend July 6 meeting. Volunteers are needed for Sep 7, Nov 2. Please use sign-up genius.
  9. “Coffee w/The Commander” Mtgs. - Coffee with the Commander has been cancelled for the summer. Meeting are held at Eva’s Cafe - 1447 N. Sedgwick; 9:30AM. The next meeting dates are
     + - * Sept. 20, 2017
         * Oct. 18, 2017
         * Nov. 15, 2017
         * Dec. 20, 2017
  10. Round Table Concerns
* Litter at LaSalle and Hubbard
* Trespassing at 420 W Huron
* Construction bringing an element to neighborhood conducive to crimes (tagging, garbage, casing, etc.)

Adjourn (7:35PM)