



MINUTES OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE CKF BOARDROOM
LANGLEY CITY HALL
20399 Douglas Crescent

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024
AT 6:01 P.M.

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair
Councillor Delaney Mack, Co-Chair
Suzan Gorgis, Social Services Representative
Jayde Marno, Youth Representative
Lew Murphy, Member at Large
Stefan Jones, Indigenous Peoples Representative
Tanya Gabara, Chamber of Commerce
Heather Giuriato, Downtown Langley Business Association
Fraser Holland, Social Services Representative
Mary Kydd, Member at Large

Staff: Paula Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer
Cpl. Rob Roffel, RCMP

Regrets: Nathan Balasubramanian, Member at Large
Jeff Jacobs, Member at Large
Don Osborne, Member at Large
Ken Edwards, Member at Large

The Chair began by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

1) AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the March 21, 2024 agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2) MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the March 5, 2024 minutes of the Crime Prevention Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3) **FOR DISCUSSION**

a) 2024 CPC Work Plan

Subcommittees:

- Increase Social Media Presence
- Business Watch
- Crime Prevention Mural
- Block Watch
- Cyber Awareness
- Know your Neighbour Campaign
- Bike Security

The Chair suggested the committee consider running no more than 2-3 subcommittees at one time in order to focus efforts on developing and executing actions efficiently. As work completes other subcommittees / objectives will activate.

He suggested the following appointments to subcommittees for consideration:

Know Your Neighbor:

- Mr. Murphy, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Osborne, Ms. Kydd

Increase Social Media Presence:

- Mr. Jones, Mr. Holland, Ms. Marno, Mr. Balasubramanian

Business Watch:

- Ms. Giuriato, Ms. Gabara, Mr. Edwards, Ms. Gorgis

Regarding the status of the Crime Prevention Mural the Chair noted that it is currently in the hands of staff and Council and the committee is in a holding pattern until the staff work is complete. For that reason, this subcommittee will stand down for the moment.

The Know Your Neighbor campaign is well established and is in a maintenance phase at this point. It can be activated as needed.

Two subcommittees that garnered a lot of participation interest from members were:

- Increase Social Media Presence
- Business Watch

The Chair suggested that the members present split into the above two subcommittee groups and spend some time brainstorming about developing an action plan.

Before doing so the group decided to move through the remaining agenda items and leave the breakout exercise to the latter part of the meeting.

b) Bike Valet Event

The Chair advised that the Earth Day event is on Saturday, April 20 from 10am-2pm. Volunteers are asked to commit to attending from 9:15am-2:45pm in order to allow time for set up and take down.

ACTION: Staff will canvass members via email to volunteer to operate the bike valet noting a minimum of three will be required.

The Chair reviewed the detailed spreadsheet noting activities and timing.

ACTION: Mr. Osborne will be asked to provide some content to include in Earth Day social media advertising.

4) STANDING ITEMS

a) RCMP Crime Map Analysis – February 2024

- Property Crime Map
- Persons Offenses Map

Cpl Rob Roffel

Cpl Roffel reviewed the crime analyst maps noting there were few issues. He observed that where Block Watch clusters are established there is less crime. He felt that with an active Block Watch program residents are more engaged and vigilant about keeping up with crime prevention tactics (locking vehicles etc).

As spring and summer approach he suggested it's a good time to promote and educate residents about locking car doors, not leaving anything in plain sight etc.

5) FOR INFORMATION

a) 2024 Work Plan

6) ROUND TABLE

Members broke into two smaller groups to start discussing the development of action plans.

Because not all members of the Know Your Neighbour subcommittee were present, Mr. Murphy and Ms. Kydd each joined one of the other groups for the breakout discussion period.

Increase Social Media Presence subcommittee included the following members:

- Mr. Jones
- Ms. Marno
- Mr. Murphy
- Mr. Holland

The Business Watch subcommittee included:

- Ms. Giuriato
- Ms. Gabara
- Ms. Gorgis
- Ms. Kydd

The Chair suggested the smaller groups assign a member to record key points and to consider setting some short and long term goals with steps to move forward.

Members were reminded to keep the committee work plan and mandate top of mind when discussing direction.

When the groups concluded discussions, they reconvened and it was noted that Mr. Jones and Ms. Gabara will summarize the respective discussions and forward them by email to the Deputy Corporate Officer for the record.

It was MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:20pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

Certified Correct:
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DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER