



HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL
Wednesday, September 18, 2019

The Citizens' Advisory Council meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

Present:

Larry Aaronson, Lt. Justin Baker, William Brockett, Denise Brockington, Larry Buehler, Sandy Cederbaum, Lesley Flaim, Britany Gegor, Andrew Hall Sr, Eileen Harrity, Linda Lee Hickerson, Jeffrey Kulik, Cpt. Todd Leppert, Morris Levine, Adia Moore, Chief Lisa Myers, Peter Newman, Stephen Pidliskey, Timothy Pierce, Lorna Rudnikas, Dr. Lewis Saunders, Raghid Shourbaji, Susan Watkins, Camela Williams, Lt. Chris Williams, Nollie Wood Jr, Cpt. Mike Yetter, David Zeleznik

Absent: Thomas C. Beach III

Chairperson – Andrew Hall Sr.

- Opened the meeting and reminded the Council that the meeting is being recorded.
- No minutes approved- no meeting in August.

- **Chief's Report – Chief Lisa Myers**
- Departmental Events
Chief Lisa Myers – introductions
 - Begin inviting command staff to attend CAC meetings for us to get to get to know each other
 - Northern and Southern Districts are now identified as District 1 and 2. District 1 (Northern), District 2 (Southern) and they are making plans for District 3
 - Field test for drone program is being planned. Beginning to look at more ways to use it. Chief would like the CAC to help with the roll out of the program
 - HCPD is developing a Health Program. Chief to take field trip Prince William County to look at their model to possibly get additional ideas



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- Civilian Picnic planned for Thursday September 19th at Belmont Park from 11-2
- Feedback from members attending HCPD events
- National Night Out (NNO) – several CAC members attended. Good turnout from the neighborhood. NNO parties held in 32 different locations in Howard County.

Suggestions for future NNO events –

- Have someone greet attendees to answer questions and orient them to the layout of the event
- Group like events - fire/police, community association, health services, social services, youth education, recruitment etc.

Presentations

- Sgt. Chris Lowman of CIB presented how an investigation, interviews and the interrogation process is handled.
- Lt. Jason Baker – High Tech Police Investigations
 - This was one of the most popular presentations shown this year. Lt. Baker did an outstanding job explaining the myriad of technology available to the Police Department to help fight crime and save lives. Very interesting and informative.

Old Business

- Retirees- The month of the August the retiree will be Sgt. Ann Kershner



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Old/New Business – Andrew Hall Sr.

- Preparation for Board Elections. Andrew is interested in knowing who is interested in leadership positions for either the Board or Committee chairs.
- Would like to have a joint event with Youth CAC in Jan. Would like to have a liaison for the Youth and Adult CAC.
 - Golf Fundraiser raised \$20K. Some CAC members participated in the tournament
 - Police graduation – great event nice to see new officers graduate
 - Bike w/Cop – rained out, will try again September 27th.
 - Citizens Police Academy – two CAC members attended and graduated - experience was great
 - Police pace – several members attended, and one member ran in the race. There were not as many people stopping at CAC table as in the past and fewer runners. Chief would like to 'add spice' next year to the Police Pace to include more of a taste of HC. Is there an opportunity to promote it more?
 - The 30th year anniversary of the Police Pace is in two years. The Police Foundation and CAC will collaborate on an activity.
- CAC Vision and Direction –
 - Legislative position
 - Efficient and effective
 - Committee engagement
 - Diversity in recruitment
 - Task workgroup participation
- Continuous engagement with front line officers. Create a 60-second elevator speech to give to officers at role call to let them know who we are and that we support them. There are 16 briefings. Let Andrew know if you are interested in coordinating this effort. Other suggestions were holding 'Lunch and Learn' sessions with recruits.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for October 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.