

NORTH PRECINCT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Expanding Communication Between the Police and Community

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

November 3, 2010

Recorded by Bill Doell

The monthly North Precinct Advisory Council meeting for November began at 7:30 p.m., with Curtis Gehrke, presiding.

- I. Special Presentation Speaker: Emily F. Langlie, Public Affairs Officer, United States Attorney's Office, Western District of Washington (Emily.Langlie@usdoj.gov).

Priorities are:

1. To support local police departments;
2. Give grants to police departments (i.e., \$15 million this year for children);
3. Department of Justice Solutions for Justice program;
4. Gang task force;
5. Project Safe Neighborhood;
6. All firearms cases are reviewed with federal prosecutors;
7. Investigate robberies of pharmacies and prescription drug abuse, "Pill Mills" (Doctors prescribing excessive amounts. Example: 80,000 80 mg. Oxycontin prescribed by one doctor);
8. Drug Market Initiative, shut down open-air markets for drugs;
9. Investigate human trafficking and juvenile prostitution, I.D. theft, credit card theft, and checking and credit card information stolen from pharmacy and bank trash cans;
10. Seattle Police Department working with Secret Service. Seattle is mapping high crime areas for federal investigators;
11. Also working on Craig's List, Facebook, etc. to coordinate cases between Fed and local agencies;
12. There are about 70 attorneys in the office.
13. Felons are being moved from the state prisons to federal prisons where they are separated from their friends and comfort zone, and breaks the continuous re-offending cycle;
14. New Federal Drug Court similar to Seattle Drug Court.

II. Precinct Update: Captain Robin Clark/Lieutenant Ken Hicks/Sergeant Newsom.

1. Burglaries were up last month, but so were arrests.
2. In the 600 block of Sixth Avenue Northwest a burglar entered a back door while owners were asleep, stole car keys and car.
3. In 5000 block of 17th Northeast a burglar caught by fraternity men in their house with \$2,700.00 on him and was held for police who were there in three minutes.
4. Arrest made in 200 block of Northwest 41st when male broke into home while all asleep. The son found flashlight, fought intruder, parents helped subdue and disarm burglar. Police found a rifle in his car.
5. In 1400 block of Northwest 65th police found stolen car from burglary, suspect fled on foot, canine unit brought in, arrest made. Individual also involved in hit-and-run.
6. Monument/Memorial for Officer Brenton was donated by Dave Quiring of Quiring Monuments on Aurora and the local community.
7. Sergeant Newsom will have been awarded the Community Ambassador Award at the annual police banquet Saturday.

III. Crime Prevention Report: Diane Horswill/Neil Hansen.

1. Seattle street lights are being updated with long-lasting halogen lights. Federal stimulus money is paying for this.
2. Burglars caught due to alert; South Haller Lake residents providing license plate number.

IV. City Attorney's Office: Ed McKenna.

1. Municipal Judge Elect Ed McKenna reported on Aurora motels being boarded up and many problems have subsided.
2. He will take office on January 1, 2011 as Municipal Court Judge.
3. He will assist in choosing his replacement for the North Precinct.

V. Liquor Control Board: Judy Lewis. No report.

VI. Jeff Seargant.

1. Several arrests made of DOC offenders and burglars with SPD detectives.
2. Sergeant Newsom reported that the project to redress juvenile offenders appropriately who are being held in local shelters has been aided by high school girls.

VII. Committee Reports.

1. Issues: Doug Thiel working on guests for 2011.
2. Membership: Please give any roster changes to Dick Hillmann.
3. Report on Citizen Police Academy, consisting of 30 civilians, given.

VIII. Old Business. None.

IX. New Business. None.

X. Next month's Agenda - Seattle Fire Chief to be our guest

XI. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.