



FREDERICK

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL

NAC 1 Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2023

Location: Whittier Elementary School

Lead: Jack Weaver, and Ronnie Osterman, NAC 1 Coordinators

Recorder: Chowan Brightful, Community Engagement Specialist

Start Time: 7:10 p.m.

End Time: 8:15 p.m.

Attendance: 4

Police Report of Cpl. Sean Carpenter:

| Topic | Remarks |
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| Ongoing NAC Problem Solving Efforts | Describe progress made since the last NAC meeting toward crime, traffic, or quality of life concerns. |
| 1. Speed Complaints 2. Construction site on Tuscanny Dr 3. Parking Complaints- Wetherburne Way | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Speed enforcement efforts in the area of Tuscanny Drive are a continued focal point. Officers of our squad have deployed several traffic enforcement operations to cite, deter and educate motorists, as well as to address the speeding concerns in the area. City traffic engineering department is still involved, and studies are continuing.2. Officers have increased patrol checks and presence in the area of construction sites within the NAC, in an attempted to apprehend or deter criminals. Sharepoint entries have been made into our departmental database, ensuring that officers from both patrol divisions and all squads are aware of the issue. If you see something, say something!3. Officers of E squad have begun routinely checking the area of Weatherburne Way and Old Farm Dr. for parking violations. Officers will continue to conduct checks and issue citations and educate citizens as needed. |
| Crime Trends / Major Incidents | No new crime patterns to note for this period for the focus four crimes. |

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| <p>1. Recent Major Cases</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Officer Rivera responded to a residence on Spuce Peak Way in reference a burglary. Officer's investigation revealed that a basement window and been entered a window screen had been cut. Approximately \$8,000 in belongings had been taken from the residence. DNA collected (CASE SUSPENDED AT THIS TIME) 2. Officers responded to a residence on Emerson Dr. in reference a burglary. They were met by an intoxicated subject who stated cash and a guitar were stolen from his residence. A broken window was located Several other valuables left untouched. (CASE IS SUSPENDED AT THIS TIME) |
| <p>Statistics</p> | <p>September 2nd, 2023- October 28th, 2023</p> |
| <p>Calls for service</p> | <p>421</p> |
| <p>Traffic stops</p> | <p>35</p> |
| <p>Arrests</p> | <p>1 criminal arrest / 2 traffic arrest</p> |
| <p>Patrol checks</p> | <p>73</p> |
| <p>Traffic collisions</p> | <p>14</p> |
| <p>Municipal infractions</p> | <p>0</p> |
| <p>Any speed sign data for the NAC?</p> | <p>N/A</p> |
| <p>Community Crime Notifications</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lock doors and windows to your residence and vehicle. • Keep all items of value out of view (car/residence) and curtains/blinds closed. • Do not leave objects that could be used to break windows outside (rocks, bricks, etc.). • Investing in a doorbell camera and/or surveillance system provides a peace of mind and is great for identifying suspects and solving crimes. |
| <p>Strategic Messaging</p> | |

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Online Reporting 2. FPD Job Openings 3. NAC 1 Facebook Page | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please use online reporting for the following incidents: Crime Tips, Destruction of Property, Fraud, Harassment, Identity Theft, Lost Property, Minor Vehicle Accidents (property damage), Hit & Run, Patrol Checks, Theft, Theft from Motor Vehicle, Traffic Complaint, and Tampering with Motor Vehicle. More information and reporting can be found here: https://www.cityoffrederickmd.gov/99/Frederick-Police-Department 2. FPD is accepting applications for entry level for the next academy and lateral police officers. For more information please visit: https://frederickpolice.org/ Detailed information regarding applying for a lateral and entry level officer positions including the written exam study guide, physical agility guide & waiver, can be found at: https://frederickpolice.org/officerfiles 3. NAC 1 now has a Facebook page. To join the NAC 1 group on Facebook, you need to go to the city website below: https://www.cityoffrederickmd.gov/320/NAC-1 |
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New Business:

- School Sign at Wetherburne Elementary School
- Dog issues (waste and running loose/off leashes)
- Traffic, and speeding problems

Questions/Comments:

- Jack reminded everyone that he also the HOA representative for Whittier.
- Jack stated that there is still much concern surrounding Tuscany, Christopher's Crossing, and the School.
- Ronnie questioned why a traffic light at Tuscany and Rosemont (down by CVS) will take a year to go up
 - Jack replied that from his understanding of the plan, the entire road is being done, so it is actually possible that it will take that long. Jack also spoke with the engineers, and he was informed that the property on either side is in the process of being acquired. They are building Townhouses, which will be a mess, and force traffic back to use Christopher's crossing, which will flood Rocky Spring.

- Cpl. Carpenter stated that he will look into the car that may be parked illegally, but that it could very well be private property.
 - Jack brought up laws about being camped out in car, and if the owner moves a couple of inches every now and then, they are considered legally parked.
- Jack asked Cpl. Carpenter about residents putting up their own non-working speed cameras.
 - Cpl. Carpenter explained that the cameras are possessed by a third party. The Police department only has access to review and certify the footage.
- Ronnie asked about yellow caution signs to slow down speeders.
 - Cpl. Stated that he would look into it.
- Jack asked where the flashing light went that was located on the corner of Cobblestone and Independence. He stated that it was only up for about a month and then it was gone. Jack further stated that the board of education, principal, and traffic engineers got it put up in September of 2023
 - Chowan said that she would follow up with the engineers to find out what happened
- Jack explained that dogs of their leashes, and dog waste is a huge issue. Jack stated that there are supposed to be dog stands going up in the spring with the disposable bags attached.
- Alternate side of the street parking was also mentioned.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Next NAC 1 meeting: TBD

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