

# NAC 3 Meeting Minutes Monday, September 11, 2017 Monocacy Elementary School

Recorder: Michele Bowman, Public Information / Community Outreach Specialist

**Location:** Monocacy Elementary School

**Start Time:** 7:00 PM **End Time**: 8:30 PM

**Attendance:** 50 Residents

## **POLICE REPORT:**

Sgt. Brown attended to review the below statistics as well as address any issues or concerns.

#### CRIME PATTERNS/TRENDS:

Community Crime	<ul> <li>Lock your vehicle doors and remove valuables - PLEASE</li> </ul>
Notifications	Lock your garage doors
Crime Patterns/Trends	•
FPD Updates	New academy starts next week
	Robbery of 7-11 on Opposumtown Pike, suspect caught
Community Concerns	• Lawnview Drive - complaint of noise issues and parking issues. People parking and drinking in car.
	• Is there a limitation on the # of cars a household can have? Sgt. Brown said there is not and it is a public street. They do have to move them every 48 hours.
	Speeding on Opposumtown Pike
FPD Job Openings	Lateral Police Officers
	Entry Level Police Officers
	Dispatchers

Michele Bowman talked about the Frederick Police Department App. Go to your App store and type in Frederick Police Department. You can submit tips, view most wanted and missing persons, view a phone directory, etc.

Sgt. Brown also demonstrated the outer carrier ballistic vest and tools of the trade. A resident tried the vest on.

# **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

## • Mr. Mark Soberman - Frederick Memorial Hospital, Cancer Center

Dr. Mark Soberman briefed the attendees about the recently completed cancer center at Rosehill Plaza. He applauded the Frederick Community who raised \$19 million of the \$22 million needed to fund the not-for-profit building. The other \$3 million was donated by James Stockman, for whom the building is named. He discussed the design, which is a holistic, patient centered model, organized to avoid "patient ping pong.": the patient remains in a comfortable room with his/ her family and specialists (physicians, nurse navigator, nutritionist, etc) come to that room to discuss all options and phases of treatment. He also pointed out that it is affiliated with the world renowned MD Anderson Cancer Center and that the physicians underwent "rigorous" training to become part of MD Anderson. He added that patients will now have access to MD Anderson experts and treatment protocols and that patients may come there for an initial diagnosis or take advantage of the "Second Opinion" program, in which a patient receives a review and may then decide to remain with the treatment plan or follow a new plan. He also noted that FMH had searched for a restaurant to add to the campus and had made an agreement with a Dunkin Donuts (now to be called "Double D-DD") to serve healthy alternatives, such as wraps, paninis, etc. DD will be built in the Rosehill parking lot in the near future.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### • Construction updates

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- Larry Aronow mentioned that the Monocacy Blvd overpass will open in November 2017 and that he is in discussion with the city about the potential need to widen the lanes of Christopher's Crossing to accommodate more traffic.
- Will an MTA bus stop be established at the commuter lot adjacent to the Monocacy Blvd overpass? Dave Giles offered to look into this and have the response published in Facebook and gmail.
- O An audience member encouraged others to attend Board of Education (BoE) meetings and promote new school construction in the area. Dave Giles seconded the idea, pointing out that NAC3 meetings are primarily concerned with City of Frederick issues and since schools are run by the County of Frederick, it would be more productive to bring up the subject at BoE meetings.
- An audience member mentioned a problem home in their neighborhood where large parties were held many nights this summer. Sgt. Brown encouraged the audience to call every time there was a similar situation, which would build a history of problems. The NAC 3 police supervisor Sean Carr responded further by email: "The City of Frederick has an Excessive Use of Police Service policy. What that entails is that when Police are called to respond to a particular residence multiple times for 'qualifying calls,' the Officer has Dispatch make note of the event. The incident then gets forwarded to our False Alarm Reduction Coordinator, who monitors the excessive use policy. When a certain threshold is met, the actual property owner receives a letter warning them of the policy. If the events continue, then fines are issued to the property owner. This policy has been very effective in reducing these types of calls. Noise complaints and parties certainly qualify under the ordinance. One thing I will need to clarify is that the actual event (i.e. party, etc) must be ongoing and able for it be verified by the Officer before it gets marked as a qualifying event. The mere reporting of the event doesn't constitute a qualifying event." He also noted that it is very important that the exact, correct address be mentioned when someone calls in a problem so that the police can track the history of calls.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- City of Frederick & Frederick Police Department use Nextdoor. Residents can sign up and receive information specific to their community. Nextdoor is also used by the community for things such as lost and found, services, items for sale. Nextdoor is available as an app and through the internet.
- Nextdoor App Ann Kelly, a resident of Amber Meadows, talked about the NextDoor app. She explained that it is a
  citizen run application that can be used to exchange information with neighbors and for the City to provide
  information to residents of a neighborhood.

# **COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS:**

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 7 <sup>th</sup>	9-11 am	Coffee/Cocoa with a Cop, Toys R Us – 1308 W. Patrick St.
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	10  am - 2  pm	Drug Take Back Event - location tbd

# **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

NAC 3 Email Address: CityofFrederickNAC3@gmail.com

Facebook: Search for City of Frederick NAC3 and click "Like" to receive updates/feeds.

**Board Members:** 

Dave Giles - President

Beth Conny, Connie Pryor, Larry Aronow, Dave Giles, James McGaughran, Kyle Pero, & Joshua Murdough

**Board Members** 

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**2017** 

Monday, November 13th

FREDERICK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Emergency: 911

**Non-Emergency:** 301-600-2100

**Anonymous Crime Tips** 

301-600 TIPS (8477) – phone 240-674-TIPS (8477) – text

fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org

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