Agenda

SASY Neighborhood Association Council Meeting

12 March 2015, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm @ Goodman Community Center

Present: list attendees

1. Introductions / Quorum

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes - see http://www.sasyna.org/index.php/meetings
   Megan H. moved to approve the minutes. Ryan K seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

3. Adjustment of the agenda - Additions, Corrections, Guests and Invited Presentations, Items for Open Discussion

4. Invited Guests and Presentations
   a. Police Shooting of Tony Robinson
      Amelia Royko Maurer
      -The MPD now have mandatory stress screening which is vitally important.
      -However, recently went on a Ride along, called to the scene of a kid with a bb gun on a bus
      -4 cops on the scene.
      -Officer she was with did not pull gun, walked on the bus and talked to the 11 year old who had the bb gun.
      -the remaining officers had either their hand on their holster or their weapon drawn
      -She asked the officer if he could have pulled the gun based on his perception of the level of threat. He could have but he didn't think the situation warranted it
      -screening officers need to be screened to get a lot more uniform response. especially when an officer’s perception of threat can result in
      -Screening of officers state on communication devices on car
      -This is really the only screening of officers that is done that speaks to their mental state. Officers communicating with one another via messages on communication device in car.
      -These are cleared every 2 weeks
      -Mental Health Crisis Training center
      Tony
      -911 call 1 or 2. First call was from Tony’s friend. Paraphrased “My friend needs help, he is running in the street and is unarmed.”
      Tony was running after the car the friend was in.
      -Tony runs into house, officer follows putting himself into a dangerous position.
Tony’s Roommates
- His roommates are asked if they want to stay warm inside the squad car
- His roommates are informed that they are being taken downtown.
- They asked for representation before going downtown
- Young men go downtown, Mike Hays posted videos of this on Buzzfeed. Guardian carried it today.
  http://www.buzzfeed.com/mikehayes/tony-robinson-friends-questioned#.wlZmqKgO8
- Boys are taken downtown and questioned immediately
- No legal representation for these kids even though they requested it before leaving the scene
- Officers have 48 hours before being giving a statement.
- Release of warrant to WKOW,
  Captain Carl Gloede confirms that there was a search warrant for the residence
- Witnesses do not have concomitant rights.
- Working toward a coalition to develop structure of an external review board to review officer-involved fatalities
- External Citizen review of the Internal investigation
- Working with Chris Taylor to develop this.
- Anyone interested should contact Amelia

i. Madison Police Department Representative
   1. Captain Carl Gloede
      - Not able to speak in depth due to investigation
      - 2 maybe 3 calls to 911 center
      - Officers responded
      - Tony identified as the person
      - 1124 Williamson Officer Kenny encountered Tony
      - Officer Kenny first on the scene, other officers came on the scene after Tony had been shot
      - DCI is investigating
      - Forensic evidence in the crime lab will take 2,4,6 weeks depending on current case load
      - Once the DA has it, DA would take time to review the case and may ask for more interviews
      - MPD is doing community outreach, Chief Koval has been speaking as much as he can, police have also been monitoring the rallies and marches and providing safety and security to the public.
- More challenging to ensure motorist and protester safety when protests split up.
- Madison detectives are there to assist DCI investigation if called upon.
- During the interviews, DCI interviewer paired with a Madison Detective so that DCI investigators can move around more easily, work more efficiently.
- Records will be sealed from public view until DA decides upon the case.
- MPD will respond to this investigation with training as it does after all officer-involved shootings but since we do not know the outcome of the investigation it is difficult to say what that training will look like.
- MPD Policy Manual has recently been split into the Code of Conduct and a series of Standard Operating Procedures memos that are updated regularly.
- Captain is not aware of any changes to the deadly force policy.
- Use of force would fall in the Standard Operating Procedure.
- The Use of Force Continuum is pretty rigid. It lists the type of options of force that are available to WI officers. Although, WI may choose not to adopt all of the options of force. For example, WI has chosen not to use the “chokehold” use of force, even though other states have chosen to adopt it.
- Tasers are now an accepted use of force.
- To Officer’s knowledge, SOP for use of deadly force has not yet been finalized.
- It is standard practice to check out a taser and return every night.
- Pepper spray, baton is also part of the MPD uniform.
- Bean bag rounds are available but used in a larger deployment like the shotguns that are stored in the trunk.
- MPD is working through a process with the city council re: uniform cameras. The council has approved money for a study to research the issues around that. For example, what devices would be the best to capture the data, the IT departments needs to store the data, the public requests for information that would need to be processed. what would be evidentiary value while protecting the privacy of individuals.
- If these uniform cameras were approved, it would go into an SOP.
- Use of force continuum is employed by MPD.
- Minimally at the level of resistance but ideally one step above to neutralize the threat quickly.
- It is an MPD policy, now a SOP that use of tasers and non-lethal weapons, needed to have a second officer on the scene with lethal back up.
- The policy regarding post-fatal/critical incidents has changed over the past few years. Regular exposure to trauma is addressed by training, debriefing, communication and then sharing of experiences.
- Officers volunteer to support other officers that may or may not realize they need help.
- EAP are trained professionals psychologists that do the debriefings
- There is also a psychologist that the department uses to address officers needs
- An individual will also be monitored for 5 years after an officer-involved death
- Amelia asks: How much is voluntary, how much is mandatory and how is this monitored?
- District command would monitor the staff involved.
- 5 year evaluation process
- Initial evaluation is mandatory
- Peers are another monitoring process
- Staff is not bashful about getting their fellow officers help
- As command, they have discretion to put them into a different role
- If serious enough, can require someone to go through a “fit for duty” evaluation
- There are contractual limitations to preventing officers from a work a night shift. Officer Gloede would prefer that it was more at the discretion of command to restrict night shift given the difference between Day and Night shift
- Critical incident - 9 day mandatory admin leave, evaluation after that, commander has discretion to keep officer off the street.
- Officers typically are on light duty for the duration of the investigation
- Amelia: Madison Professional Police association has created protection of officer’s position.
- Betty K commended the MPD’s response to the situation - it has been very different from Ferguson. And that she is grateful that the MPD did not accept extra equipment from the Federal government. Just wants to point out that the systems and assessment may not be in place to support the police after going through a traumatic event
-Captain Gloede states that the MPD did accept some of this equipment.
-Madison tries at all times to maintain crowd management vs crowd control techniques.
-Used on the wrong circumstances, this leads you down a path that you can not easily reverse.
-The last time Crowd control gear was used was during Halloween when fires began and rocks were being thrown.
-Needed to use this to ensure the officer’s safety.

Question: Data indicates that some officer’s perception of threat changes when encountering a black suspect. Does the MPD consider this and what is being done to address this bias?

Captain Gloede: We all have by-products of the communities they grew up in. We hope that we hire and train the best. But everyone has some sort of baggage and it is difficult to find these biases in officers.

-MPD has had the bias training, and professors coming in to educate staff to come to grips with whatever biases that they have.

5. Follow-up on items from previous SASYNA Council Meetings (Old Business)
   a. Jenifer St Market - (Brad H)
      Brad was vested with investigating this, but cautions that SASY doesn’t have any say in the matter
      Brad is taking this off of the agenda for now, but will continue to follow this and relay any updates
   i. Sign up, duties
   b. April 23 Annual meeting - Thursday, April 23
      -Brad K proposed that we have a chili cookoff
      -Margo warned that it could cause a health inspection issue
      -Brad K: or, we could get sponsors to bring food
      -Margo and Megan think that we might not want to hit up the usual sponsors for the annual meeting
      -Food sign up sheet was passed around for council members to sign up
      -Brad K makes a motion that during the Annual Meeting, that SASY pay a Goodman Center bartender to provide libations to attendees at the Annual meeting
      -Ryan K: Seconded
      -Lance G: thinks that SASY Council members should share responsibility by contributing food
      Vote: no -2, 13 - yes. Motion passed

Officer Elections
   Gary, Rachel and Sue stepping down.
   Suggestion to list Council member’s term dates on website.
b. Proposed Bylaws changes (Brad H)

- Flexibility in deciding membership dues
- Transportation Committee changed from ad hoc to standing
- Changes to the makeup of the SASY Council
- Establishing a Treasurer Position
- Lance G: Would like to make a motion that the council adopt all 4 of the amendments following a discussion, Brad says too early to vote yet.

1) Doug would like clarification on when membership dues had to be paid. Suggests that it say that only people that have paid are eligible to vote, and it is sufficient to pay at the meeting.
   1. Jason T: SASY is a membership based organization. Membership dues are paid on an annual membership, and are due by the date of the annual meeting. Strike “dues are paid at annual membership meeting”
   2. Committee agreed to this change in language

2) Jason T: Suggests consistency between SASY and SASYNA
   Brad H: It should be SASY, not SASYNA
   Jason T: on page 2 Transportation Committee, 2nd sentence: “task” should be changed to role
   Jason T: have the last sentence clarify the role of the SASY council: “The Transportation Committee may provide guidance and advice for residents, business owners and visitors on transportation issues, but is not authorized to issue public statements, written or verbal on behalf of SASY.”
   There was no disagreement to this change

3. Nothing in here that specifically requests creation of OBS rep
   There will be an electronic vote on the edited language of the 1st three.

   Proposed change 4:
   Jason T: some of the tasks do not have to be codified in the bylaws. The treasurer description can be condensed.
   Tim: I condensed the duties of the sustainable finance committee into the treasurer bylaws
   References to positions throughout the by-laws will need to be changed as well.
   Brad H: this proposed change needs some adjustments. Jason T will help edit proposed bylaws 4 as well as the other 3. Jason will then pass on his edits to Brad H, who will submit them to the council for electronic vote

c. Festival Committee - Request for Volunteers (Brad K, Megan)
   Brad K: will be assuming Ben’s duties. Ben will be involved but in a different capacity. Officially, the Chair of the Festival Committee will take over Ben Anton’s responsibilities for this year.
   Looking for SASY Council Members to assist with AtwoodFest this year.

d. Win/Atwood Corridor Planning Committee (Brad H)
   Recap of March 8th meeting w/Schenks corners businesses, property owners.
A number of organizations showed up, and there was a very robust discussion. There will be a public meeting held in the future. Brad H. is looking for key city players in the planning process. Brad H. to provide additional concept drawings to be added to the site.

e. Union Triangle Committee (Joannah Szymczak)
f. Garver Committee (Betty/Sue/John/Brad)
   Today is the deadline for submitting tallies for scoring the proposals

g. Preservation & Development (Brad H)
   nothing to report

h. Kipp Committee (Gary/Lance)
i. Transportation Committee (Melanie Foxcroft)
   - Had a meeting with the city engineer on the capital city bike path that will be closed June 1. It may be delayed due to unknowns. Closing of the bike path is necessary because because a stretch of storm sewer needs to be replaced.
   - Milwaukee St bridge reconstruction will be unpassable for the summer

j. Communication Committee (Brad K.)
k. Sustainable Finance Committee (Tim McCarty, Sue Thering, Ryan, Ben Nerad)
l. MG&E Committee (possibly Michael Vickerman)
m. Airport Noise Committee (Melanie Foxcroft)
n. Olbrich Committee (Sue)

6. New Business
   a. Resignation of a SASY Council member, Rachel Imsland

7. District 6 Alderperson Report (Alder Marsha Rummel)

8. Community Event Announcements
   a. Mayoral Forum, 6:30pm, March 19th @ Barrymore Theater: submit questions! Send to: forum@wortfm.org

   b. Union Corners Cohousing Meeting at Chocolatarian - 1:00pm Saturday, March 14.
      Additional meetings will be held the same time and place on April 11 and May 9

9. Adjourn meeting
   Motion to adjourn: Tim
   Seconded: Ryan
   Unanimous, meeting adjourned.