

WEST VALLEY C-PAB MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2011

Call to Order: Maury Leff called the meeting to order at 7:03.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mark Markowitz led the Pledge of Allegiance

Quorum: Barbara Hand declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: Al Kelson approved the minutes.

Recognition of City Officials: Representative for Assemblyman Bob Blumenfields office, Eric Rodriguez, was in attendance.

Announcement: Maury Leff discussed the C-Pab goals of emergency preparedness and the expansion of C-Pab. C-Pab needs volunteers to take the message out on the streets. SLO Royal Barber helped with the preparation of the message.

Sgt. Frank Avila Report: Discussed Nixle. Go to Nixle.com and sign up. Property crime has increased, especially around Balboa Park. Remember to Hide it, lock it, keep it. GPS holders leave an imprint on the window and is an indication that it is in the car. There is a scam on Craigslist where someone is selling a laptop real cheap. The seller meets the buyer and then robs the buyer with a gun. If the price is too good, don't do it or meet in a public place. Toyota Tacoma is the hot car for theft.

Linda Pruett: Provided information on upcoming Pet CPR and First Aid Class on February 12th. Announced a weekend CERT I Class on February 19th and 20th in Lake Balboa and being taught by Captain Stacy Gerlich. Continental breakfast, snack or sack lunch will be provided by Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council.

A sign was presented to be used after a disaster. One side says Okay and the other says Help. It would be put in the window after a disaster to let neighbors and first responders know your situation. One side has supplies along the edge and on the other side along the is the info on those in the house and contact numbers, medical conditions. Latest price is \$1.25, but can be cheaper in larger quantities. Different groups can sponsor the purchase of these signs. Lucy Valasky from Chatsworth Neighborhood Council came up with the idea.

Eric Rodriguez spoke about "Get Prepped" to get SFV residents to take Cert classes. They want 500 by the end of the year.

Safe Kids Zone Introduction: Hagar Kantor and Shuly Partush introduced themselves and gave a short overview of Safe Kids Zone. Originally started for Kids and Teenagers, but really for everyone. The program is for those who need extra safety at school and outside school, women and the elderly. You get help by using technology, cell phones. It has been around for a few years. They hope to present this program at our next meeting.

Maury Leff read the letter that would be used to introduce C-PAB. . A skit was also read that provided a more detailed description of C-PAB to entice more community involvement and a better understanding of C-PAB's purpose. There are questions to the group and then answers to those questions are given. Asking for volunteers to go out and present this to the community to invite them to meetings.

Capt. Zingo Report: Crime spikes in West Valley common for this time. In the last four weeks, there have been 6 robberies at the BOA ATM at White Oak and Saticoy. Male white with hooded sweatshirt. Since last July, there have been pharmacy burglaries. After hours when the pharmacy is closed, they tunnel in from attached businesses. Balboa Park, property theft. Runners in the morning park their cars, leaving items in plain sight. This is also happening at the golf course. There is a spike in aggravated assaults, but are domestic. Captain Zingo reported on burglaries south of the Blvd. He discussed the utility workers impersonators and distraction burglaries. It can take as little as 3 to 5 minutes to burglarize a home. He discussed a Lo-jack for computers. It sends a signal where your computer is stolen. Harden the target. Go to an ATM that is well attended.

Discussion: There was a discussion about sharrow bike lanes.

Maury asked everyone to bring a guest next month.

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:19.

Next Meeting: March 9, 2011

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Hand, Membership