

BBH Civic Association Meeting: September 17, 2019

Start: 6:45pm

Members present: 12

Guests Present:

- Caroline Kelm, Pamela DeLissio's office (Ckelm@pahouse.net)
- **Office Lukaitis, 39th PD**
- **Officer Becker, 14th PD**
- **Officer Gina, Park Ranger**
 - (See the contact information below)

Location: BBH Pavilion

1. Pre-Meeting Socialization with Smores at Pavilion
2. Update from Office Lukaitis from PD #39
 1. Speeding on Walnut Lane
 - Recommendation: Board to speak to Curtis Jones office as this is a state road for traffic calming. City offices and Rep. Jones' office has given the board conflicting messages on resolving this concern.
 2. Auto thefts: Office reports they are occurring between 12am-6am and 70% are for cars that have their doors open. Our area has the highest rate of auto theft for this district. Methods of break-ins include: slim jims, breaking windows. Officer reported that the Major Crimes Division oversees more sophisticated break-in methods include key fob repeaters. The officer could not speak to this division's findings.
 - Recommendations: Do not leave your doors unlocked as a passive approach to this issue. It sends the message that this area is an "easy target" and invites more illegal activity. Do not keep ANYTHING of value or visible in your car (or trunk as trunk releases are easily accessed). This includes EZPass Responders
 3. Home Break-ins: Office states that 5 officers cover BBH area. Major Crimes division handles this area. Officer states that items are sold and the PPD trace the sale of illegal items to find perpetrators.
 - Recommendations: Register your camera with the PPD. Utilize automatic flood lights. Lock your sheds.
 4. Reminder: File a police report if you are a victim of a crime. They will give you a district control number. Resident insurance companies can also request police reports to assist with filing a claim for loss of property.
 5. Brochures/Cards were shared on current Community Engagement Initiatives
3. Park Ranger Gina
 1. Reports there are 5 Rangers for a large area (Hunting Park to Aubury Park)

2. Residents to call **215-685-0144** for Park concerns which rings to the base office where a supervisor (Solly) can route Rangers.
 3. Summer time has targeted enforcement so Rangers cannot leave posts. Targeted enforcement included: Devil's Pool, Hunting Park
 4. 7am-10am all Rangers are at base and residents may call the number above to reach them at that time.
 5. Rangers and Police issue "Code Violation Notices" (CVN) for parking on grass, noise, etc. This can be effective deterrents for residents that are acting irresponsibly in the park and the fine is \$105.
 6. Residents asked if there can be a list of codes by park so BBH can see what the trends are for our area. Gina will follow up.
 7. Residents encouraged to report "short tipping" (dumping trash in the park) via 311. If you are in a safe location, make note of the license plate/make/model of the car and characteristics of the person.
 8. Board encouraged residents to also use the BBH Facebook group if you have called 311 to report on status for other neighbors.
 9. Ranger reported as it gets colder, more folks are illegally camping in the park (there is no camping overnight in the park). Utilize the number above and they will speak with the Homeless Services folks.
4. Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting date November 19, 2019, 7pm.
1. Other agenda items that were not discussed:
 - Lantern Fly Presentation
 - Board Positions
 - By-Law Amendment
 - Holiday Party Reminder
 - Update on Walnut Lane Overgrowth - 311 Reminder
 - Property Updates - 311 Reminder

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