

East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood
Crime, Safety, Transportation and Noise Committee
Minutes, March 21, 2011

Attendees: Luther Krueger, Crime Prevention Analyst
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Topics:

- 1) Action Alerts/Block Club leaders: We had a discussion on increasing block club leader participation and thus the residents to receive the action alerts. Luther had many suggestions and examples, having been a block club leader for many years. An outline has been established for getting more block club leaders in East Harriet:
 - a. Get together with Amy Lavender and call the list of existing block club leaders and verify that they are still block club leaders and want to continue to participate.
 - b. Get a list of apartment owners for East Harriet, which will contain the names of owners currently on the Action Alert list. Call those not on the Action Alert email system and engage them to participate.
 - c. Approach the East Harriet board with the proposal to door knock the neighborhood blocks that are not verified as block club leaders and engage them to become a part of the informed community. This will be to get the residents involved with East Harriet in more than the crime and safety area. Approaching the residents should be in a positive manner, by asking them for 2 hours a month to get involved. This could be in any of the committees set up by East Harriet. Luther pointed out that most residents have one single area they are concerned/interested in. We need to get the board and committee members to approach the residents with this in mind.
 - d. Approach the residents with a pre-knocking survey to find what they want from their community and local government.
 - e. Have the board members and committee members door knock to increase involvement with our community, both in block club leader numbers and community committee areas.
- 2) Crime: Amy reported there were two crimes reported in East Harriet in the last calendar month. One was a theft from car and the other theft from a garage.
- 3) Courtwatch: The community is asked to be aware of and looking for Hakim Abdirizak Karod. Chris Dixon is going to send a pdf on the individual. He has failed to appear for arraignment and is on trial for 3 charges. The pdf will be sent to the members of NEHBA as well as being put on the East Harriet website.
- 4) NEHBA: The CSTN committee will continue to engage the Nicollet East Harriet Business Association to help build a stronger community by way of:
 - a. Courtwatch; Having the business's become more involved by being aware of the individuals of interest, posting these individuals and writing impact statements.
 - b. Community involvement; having the communities support the business nodes in distributing flyers/fridge magnets with basic safety statements. We ask a lot of our local business's for fundraising. Our communities need to give some of that support back in the way of time.

If there are comments or questions, please feel free to contact the writer, Kevin Larson.