

Latino Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes for:

April 7, 2017

Attendees: Chief Garner, Sandi Elder, Maria Secrest, Joe Perez, Capt. Savage, Capt. Jones, Art Terrazas, Inacio Ramos, Loretta Duran, Teri Gutierrez, presenter: Sgt. Kell Hulsey

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by Chairwoman Sandi Elder.

Councilwoman Elder welcomed everyone and asked that people think about the possibility of combining the Chief's Advisory committee and the Latino Advisory committee together as one.

Chief Garner – Talked about 2016 crime stats and passed out a handout on Part One crime stats (see attached).

The police department is going to have more of a presence in the downtown area near the new hotel.

At this time the department is working with three different agencies on some big cases. The Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) will have someone assigned to the department in the Gang Unit.

Presenter Sgt. Kell Hulsey of the School Resource Officer unit gave a presentation on active shooter situations – Run-Hide-Fight (see attached handout).

There are different protocols used for this type of situation in schools. District 6 currently uses the protocol on the last page of the handout. All Greeley schools with the exception of high schools are on "Yellow" secure perimeter at all times.

There has been one incident in the last couple years. Once the call was made there were 13 officers (including officers from other agencies) on site within seconds. It turned out to be a false alarm.

The GPD School Resource Officer (SRO) unit is solely funded by the City of Greeley.

Art Terrazas asked if daycare programs were covered by SRO's? Sgt. Hulsey replied that, yes SRO's are dispatched first to calls regarding schools and daycares during school hours. Calls for churches are also covered by the SRO unit.

Roundtable –

Maria Secrest – Attended an awards ceremony at the 310th Space Wing Command in Colorado Springs and she also attended a retirement ceremony for General Edwards, Commander for Colorado National Guard, after 43 years of service.

Loretta Duran – Just retired and is enjoying life.

Art Terrazas – Working with Northern Colorado Latino Foundation to revive the Cinco de Mayo activities. There will be a 5k run, a parade and other activities all day long and into the evening.

Capt. Mike Savage – Since we last met one of our officers retired after 33 years of service as well as the Records Manager after 45 years.

Sergeant testing is complete and the list is out for the next set of promotions.

Capt. Mark Jones – The department has a new sector downtown, Sector D. There will be officers on bicycles from both the Neighborhood Action Team and the SRO unit during the summer.

Inacio Ramos – Still working for very closely with Jefferson High School. Trying to get/keep kids interested in staying in school.

Chairwoman Elder – Attended the ground breaking for the new City Center and covered for Mayor Norton in his absence.

Chairwoman Elder wanted to know what people thought of combining the Chief's Advisory committee and the Latino Advisory committee. Some people think it might be a way to bridge people together.

Capt. Savage – As police officers we need to hear perceptions from the community from all sides. It might be a good idea to have a joint meeting quarterly. We just want to make sure the Latino community has a voice and access to the PD.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 a.m. by Chairwoman Elder.