

Community Advisory Committee
June 14, 2011

Facilitator:

Sheriff's Office:

Sheriff Jason Myers
US Troy Clausen
Cmdr. Kevin Schultz
Dep. Heath Nelson
Sara Zavala

CAC Members:

~~Ken Hector~~
Shelley Joyce
Gary Rychard
Sylvia Valentine Garcia
~~Jose Gonzalez~~
~~John Alamarez~~
Hugo Nicolas
~~Blake Dye~~
Vanessa Nordyke
~~Levi Herrera~~
Marya Kalugin
~~Cindy Schaeffer~~
Cari Fiske
~~Glen Rader~~
~~Todd Deaton~~

- 1) Welcome – Co-Chair Gary Rychard welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
- 2) Review Minutes from March 18, 2011 meeting. Discussion: No questions or changes. Gary opened the floor for any additions or deletions from the minutes; no comments. Approved.
- 3) Review Issues: The group began discussions to prioritize the **top five issues**; copies of the identified issues were handed out and members “voted” for the most pressing issues. These will be used to help guide the efforts of the Sheriff’s Office. The remaining issues will be revisited in the future. Vanessa suggested we **set time frames** for review of the issues so we keep on track.
 - We will send the list out to the group for review and proxy vote because we don’t have a majority at this meeting.
 - Shelley asked that based on SB3, we update the list to remove MRDD and replace it with Intellectual Disability.
- 4) Sublimity Contract Update – Gary explained that due to rising costs, Sublimity put out a request for information for law enforcement services; Marion County was the recipient of that contract; Effective July 1, a deputy will be assigned to the City of Sublimity full time. It was also suggested that the supervision of the deputy fall under the contracts sergeant – that Sgt. will oversee all MCSO

contracts; Gary commented that there was nothing against the service that Stayton Police Department was providing. Cari asked if MCSO would respond to all calls in Sublimity and also asked if Stayton would not respond at all. Gary said that MCSO will be responding to all calls and Stayton would only respond in emergency situations, as requested by MCSO (mutual aid agreement). Cari asked if MCSO would be able to participate in community events. The Sheriff responded that we would always be open to attending events, but we typically give first opportunity to the local agency first. Vanessa asked if the contract was reviewed by an attorney. Gary said it was reviewed by Sublimity's attorney and the County attorney.

- 5) Cite & Release Changes at Jail – Sheriff Myers explained a process that has been occurring at the Jail for some time, where an arrestee is brought to the Jail for fingerprinting and photograph as a cite and release. Other Jails in the state have put a stop to this process. MCSO began reviewing Jail data and have implemented a system to only lodge arrestees at the Jail. This will increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Jail. We now require arresting agencies to complete a booking sheet and we keep arrestees in Jail until they post bail or go before a Judge. We are 60 days into this new policy and we are very pleased with the results so far. The amount of bail outs has tripled 4/2010 – 30 vs. 4/2011 – 100. Failure to appear has also decreased. We are adding accountability back into the system. Shelley asked if we had the same number of arrests during that time period. She asked what “population release” means and Sheriff Myers explained that our cap on beds is 568 at the Jail 72 at work center. When we reach capacity we must have a “safety valve.” Shelley asked if we have done a cost comparison from last year to this year. Commander Schultz added that there is additional cost for the process and paperwork that takes effect with a “failure to appear.” Sylvia added that there would also be cost-savings with the reduced number of people brought to the Jail for processing. Sylvia asked if a person is close enough to release for a population release, why are we holding them. Sheriff responded that they are serving a sentence and we must do our best to fulfill that sentence; there is a complex matrix that we use to determine who will be released in such cases.
- 6) Budget Update – US Clausen said that our budget has been submitted for 11-12; there is a question of state funding which can still drastically impact the Office; State funding supports community corrections (parole & probation). The formula for the state funding for community corrections is based on performance. Because of this, the more successful a community corrections program is, the less funding they receive. The potential loss to Marion County funding is about \$750,000 per year for the next two years (they operate on a biennium). This would impact the Jail and Parole & Probation divisions in our office. Any reductions in the Jail must be done by a “pod” at a time.
- 7) Recruitments – There is one open position on this Committee; the vacancy is from a person from the north area / small community, so we hope to keep that demographic with a new member. We could do a press release and post to our

website. Marya asked for a blurb of info to send out. Heath can send one out to the group.

- 8) Next Meeting. Discussion about when to set next meeting – tentative date at 6:30 pm at Work Center.
- 9) Closing Comments: Gary commented on the upcoming agenda item “animal abuse investigators” – this has been a growing issue and we will have a deputy do a presentation. Get any other suggested future agenda items to Sara.

Roundtable:

- Sheriff commended Hugo for his work as a cadet with Keizer Police and responding to a situation during the Keizer Iris Festival. Congrats to Hugo on his graduation.
- Cari – Stayton passed a ordinance prohibiting the sale of drug paraphernalia;
- US Clausen – Traffic team update: our focus was on education, engineering and enforcement. 97% of speeding citations written last year were for those people doing over 15mph over the speed limit. 16 citations over 100mph. New North District Office on Glatt Cir. in Woodburn.
- Vanessa - Animal Abuse presentation would be a welcome presentation by the committee.
- Commander Schultz - Discussion on rotating the location of future meetings. If a committee member has a location in mind and can secure the location, let the agenda planning team know prior to sending out agenda.
- Commander Schultz reminded the committee on ride along opportunities or job shadow opportunities within our other teams.
- Committee would like a presentation on Sex Trafficing in the near future.
- Next meeting will be Tuesday August 16th at 1830 hours. Location to be determined.