

District II Advisory Board Minutes

May 3, 2010

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The District II Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at Fire Station #20 located at 2255 S. Greenwich Road. CM Schlapp was in attendance, (7) board members attended, (4) staff and approximately (9) citizens were in attendance. Only those individuals who signed in are listed as guests below.

Members Present

Max Weddle

Daryl Crotts

Tom Roth

Marty Weeks

Sarah Devries

Paula Hancock

April Leason

Phil Ryan

Staff Present

Antione Sherfield- Neighborhood Assistant

Officer Lloyd– WPD

Battalion Chief Snow – WFD

Mark Garcia - WFD

Members Absent

Dave Mollhagen

Aaron Mayes

Guests

Listed below

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. CM Schlapp welcomed everyone and explained how the DAB meeting is conducted. DAB members did introductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

- **May Agenda (7-0)**
- **April Minutes approved (6-0)**

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. **Off-Agenda Items**
No items submitted

STAFF REPORT

2. **Community Police Report**
Officer Lloyd provided information pertaining to current crime

trends in District II. Officer Lloyd stated that the Wichita Police Department apprehended suspects related to the burglaries in College Hill. These suspects are responsible for several burglaries in the area.

He also stated that the Community Policing Department conducted a Multi-Agency special assignment to investigate Drinking Establishments on the East side of town. They entered 12 Drinking Establishments. Only minor licensing violations were issued. Officer Lloyd stated that the special assignment was a success.

CM Schlapp thanked Officer Lloyd for the fine work that the Police Department provides the community.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

3. Community Fire Report

Chief Snow provided information pertaining to Fire Service calls in District II.

She stated that the Fire Department is still investigating the fire at Angela's Café, the damage is estimated at \$300,000. There was also a house fire on Mt. Vernon with estimated damage of \$40,000. Chief Snow also advised everyone that the Citizens Fire Academy will be starting and there are still openings available to the public. If interested, please call City Hall at (316) 268-4351.

CM Schlapp applauded Chief Snow and the Fire Department for the great services they provide our community.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

NEW BUSINESS

4. Changes/Revisions to City of Ordinance (9.08) Regarding Trees and Shrubs.

Justin Combs, city of Wichita Arbotrist provided information pertaining to changes/revisions to City ordinance (9.08) regarding trees and shrubs.

Recommendations: Recommend City Council adopt Amendments to City Ordinances regarding trees and shrubs.

Background: As one of its 2009 goals, the Board of Park Commissioners agreed to update the

As part of the process of updating Chapter 9.04, it was determined that Chapter 9.08 regarding trees and shrubs was outdated and some provisions were obsolete. City staff presented to each of the DABs during January and February and received comments that have been incorporated into the revised ordinance.

Analysis: The ordinances recognize that the City has the responsibility to maintain trees in the public right of way. The amendments set forth the procedures to be utilized by city staff to prune

or remove nuisance trees or branches from trees from private property, and also recognize that the Park and Recreation Department, as opposed to the Park Board, is responsible for the maintenance, pruning and removal of trees in the public right of way.

The amendments also provide for adjoining property owners to prune trees, removal of limbs up to two inches in diameter, and to remove storm damaged and broken limbs within the street right-of-way.

Financial Considerations: None

Goal Impact: Improve the Quality of Life for Citizens of Wichita.

Legal Considerations: The Law Department has worked with Park Forestry staff to prepare the amendments and they are approved as to form.

Recommendation: The DAB voted (7-0) in favor of the revisions to the tree ordinance.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next DAB II Meeting will be June 7, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,
Antione Sherfield, Neighborhood Assistant