

**District VI Advisory Board  
Minutes  
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**Wednesday  
July 21, 2010  
6:30 p.m.**

**Evergreen Recreation Center  
2700 N. Woodland  
Lounge Clubroom**

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The District VI Advisory Board meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. at the Evergreen Recreation Center Lounge Clubroom 2700 N. Woodland. District VI councilwoman led the meeting with six (6) District Advisory Board members in attendance, two (2) city staff and six (6) members of the public who signed in.

**Members Present**

Cathy Landwehr  
John VanWalleghen  
Bob Aldrich  
Scott Dunakey  
Charlie Claycomb  
Jaya Escobar

**Members Absent**

Pat Randleas  
Carol Skaff  
Marsha Carr

**Staff Present**

Terri Dozal, Neighborhood Assistant  
Officer Carlson, Patrol South

**Council Member Miller** called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. welcoming everyone. **Miller** asked members to introduce themselves and state their representation on the board.

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved as submitted. (**VanWalleghen/Dunakey 6-0**)

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for June 7, 2010 were approved as submitted (**Claycomb/Aldrich 6-0**).

**Public Agenda**

1. **Scheduled items:** *Christine Eberle* reported attending the NUSA conference May 26-29<sup>th</sup> in Little Rock, Arkansas. She particularly enjoyed a grant writing presentation along with several tours that were given. *Eberle* noted that during the presentations, it was said churches should also be included in decision making for area issues. One of the tours led them to a new police station that had been converted from a school after having been burn twice from gang activity.

**Council Member Miller** said the NUSA conference is a national conference known to assist with building capacity and leadership for neighborhoods. All neighborhoods would benefit from the experience.

2. **Off-agenda items:** None at this time

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Provide comments/take appropriate action

**Staff Presentations**

3. **Community Police Report**

**Patrol South:** *Officer Carlson* Old Town-21 Beat reported that auto larceny has been a hot topic. Officers are seeing around 15 breaks into cars per month. This is a 25% decrease from three years ago when they were seeing around 40 break in's a month. Officers are doing special assignments going under cover, using a bait vehicle-filling it with valuables to see if they can catch anyone. So far, they haven't caught the suspects they feel are doing this. We hear from out-of-state visitors how they like the Old Town area.

**Aldrich** asked if there were any increased problems due to open alcohol in the area. *Carlson* stated the open alcohol where people can travel from one place to another with an open drink is only during special events and it

can't be done without having a special permit to do so.

**Landwehr** asked if they had many problems in Naftzger Park. *Carlson* said this park was on the Patrol North bureau but he didn't think so. Due to all the educational information that we try to provide to the community, we feel this has helped curb a lot of crime.

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Receive and file

4. **Fire Department Report**

No report was given.

**New Business**

5. **Jail Overcrowding**

*Sheriff Hinshaw* before starting a power point presentation on the Sedgwick County Jail population stated he had shown this to the individual Council Members and was invited by **Council Member Miller** to present to the DAB this evening. As of today, July 21<sup>st</sup> there had been 82 people booked into the jail within a 24 hr. time period, 297 inmates were residing in other counties and all together he was responsible for 1544 inmates.

*Hinshaw* stated there were three factors that have made impacts on the present jail population. They are 1) Changes in penalties: due to felony crimes now are handled at a local level, enhanced penalties and mandatory arrest. 2) New crimes created: offender registration and 3) Interaction with other areas of the Criminal Justice System.

In May of 2002, a recommendation was made to look at a jail expansion but since that time there have been many factors put into place that have put the expansion on hold. The *Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC)* was developed allowing for a variety of other programs to be developed such as day reporting, diversion programs, offender re-entry program, drug court expansion and a mental health court. *Hinshaw* said these programs have helped with the reduction of the inmate population but have not stopped it. All of the records show that the population is still growing. Even though inmates are being released daily many of them are staying in longer due to the severity of their crimes. *Hinshaw* stated the jail facilities are insufficient now and whatever is done must be considered an intermediate solution and we also will need legislative changes to help with our issue.

**Aldrich** asked about pre-trial inmates and them not going anywhere on Fridays due to the court furloughs. *Hinshaw stated the judges were still in.* **Aldrich** asked about inmates who have a medical condition that incur high expenses and if it caused a direct effect on operation dollars. *We have a medical vendor specializing in health care. They pick up some costs and once they reach a certain level then Sedgwick Co. picks up the costs. We haven't reached that this year. If we have more than 1350 inmates the cost is \$3.98 day.* What if someone suffers from mental issues? *If it has to do with mental health we only have two hospitals in the state and we have to way for beds to open there.*

**Escobar** asked if the housed population projection ranging to year 2040 was based on an increase in the city population for Sedgwick Co. or at the current population. *Hinshaw said he was not sure.*

**Miller** asked if these projections weren't based on future city population increase then what happens. *Hinshaw responded we would need more minimum security facilities such as work release with more training.*

**Dunakey** asked what the cost would be for inmates in group facilities. *It would be around \$30/day and if they are in other counties \$39/day. This does not include the gas for the road trip which ends up around \$52.00 to ship an inmate one way. These are some factors the sheriff has to manage with the resources given.*

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Receive and File

**Board Agenda**

6. **Problem Properties**

**141 N. Mead:** Railing is missing on elevated surface at White Dove business.

**2449 W. 25<sup>th</sup> Street:** Tall weeds and grass

**2833 N. Athenian:** Tall weeds and grass

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Receive and propose appropriate action.

#### 7. Neighborhood Reports

**Dunakey** asked if a follow-up report could be given from Planning on cases that had been presented to DAB. We don't know what happens (approved-disapproved) once we have heard the case.

**Orchard Park NA:** held a clean-up on July 10<sup>th</sup>. They used 11 skids with 2 packers and collected over 100 tires. Also, they will host a National Night Out event on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Everyone is invited.

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Receive and file.

#### Updates from the council member

##### Announcements

- Next DAB meeting will be on Monday, August 2, 2010

#### Adjourn

##### Guests

Richard Powell	Sedgwick County Sheriffs Office <a href="mailto:Rpowell@sedgwick.gov">Rpowell@sedgwick.gov</a>
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Kathy Dittmer	67203
Greg Boyajian	
Robert Hinshaw	Sheriff

Respectfully Submitted,

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