

**Safe Community Advisory Committee Meeting
April 13, 2011 @ Comiskey Park Recreation Program Center**

Meeting began at 6:07 pm

Committee members present: Allen Anthony, Diane Callahan, Rachel Daack, Ann Ernst, Doug Stillings, Susan Stork, Mary Rae Bragg, Jonathan Cheatham

Staff members present: Mike Van Milligen, Crenna Brumwell, Phyllis Russell, David Harris, Kelly Larson, Jerelyn O'Connor, Terry Tobin

Atty Crenna Brunwell conducted the swearing in of the committee members minus Bragg & Cheatham who were not present yet, but were sworn in after the meeting was adjourned.

Mike Van Milligen, City Manger conducted the election of officers. Doug Stillings was elected Chariperson and Rachel Daack was elected Vice-Chairperson

Atty Brumwell gave a progress report on the recommendations from the Safe Community Task Force

Daack: is concerned with the findings on juvenile parental responsibility ordinance is as varied as the findings on curfews and how can the program be implemented if no resources are available

Brumwell: We have given the option in the ordinance of taking a parental responsibility class but we are re-doing research on additional resources. Also the enforcement will not just be between the hours of 11pm-4am, the impact should be greater

Daack: Resources needed may be more than just a class. It could be child care or a job

Atty Brumwell: Child in Need of Assistance is another designation in the ordinance. This would Give the opportunity for referrals to service providers and there will be constant monitoring

Stillings: The administration of the ordinance will be done by the police. I'm concerned about what is offered and what tools will the police have to refer people to

Atty Brumwell: Parenting class, fines or action plans are what the police will be working from

Daack: Is the action plan option clearly explained to the parent?

Atty Brumwell: We haven't put it all together but can make sure that it is included

Van Milligen: Dubuque functions as a non-traditional format by partnering with non-government agencies. Internal working group officer Klein regularly meets with inside and outside partners

Callahan: What is considered disorderly conduct?

Atty Brumwell: fighting

Ernst: If court orders family counseling, then the Juvenile Court Services will be on the hook \$121 per session. Who is handling these cases?

Atty Brumwell: These cases are considered civil not criminal infractions, probation isn't involved. Recommendation #20 – more training for the front line staff. Hoping to get those classes started this summer. Recommendation #31 – As of Dec 1, 2010 the city attorney's office takes care of the enforcement and Human Rights Dept still handle intake. Recommendation #60 – Still researching communities.

Larson: Recommendation #39 – first round of classes begin next week with boards and commissions members. The classes will be offered to the public as well and will happen twice a year in April and September. We are also trying to connect with all the major sectors of the community (Faith, business, etc)

Van Milligen: Molly Grover of the Dubuque Chamber of Commerce has reported that during the Chamber's board meeting inclusiveness has been included in their goal setting.

Stillings: Are there any other staff/departments we need to hear from?

Van Milligen: Have Dave Harris come to next meeting to let the SCAC know what is going on

Daack: How are the landlords taking the changes?

O'Connor: Copies of the ordinance changes went to the landlords back in January with their renewals.

Stillings: The important thing for the citizens to know is that the process seems to be working. We need to make sure that we say that it has gone from x% to x%.

Larson: The social capital piece is being worked on by the City's Management Team and is trying to come up with ways to address this.

Stillings: Is there an understanding that the SCAC will be reporting to the City Council

Van Milligen: Minutes will be reported to City Council

Tobin: We have two college interns who are acting as community service officers.

Bragg: How is the public notified about our meetings?

Bragg & Cheatham are willing to put up flyers around town and Van Milligen suggested Channel 8.

Meeting was adjourned @ 7:48 pm by Chairperson Stillings

These minutes were passed and approved at May 11, 2011 meeting.