

**MINUTES**

**CITY OF DUBUQUE SAFE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR SESSION**

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

Carnegie-Stout Public Library Board Room

**Committee Members Present:** Chair Doug Stillings; Committee Members Anthony Allen, Mary Rae Bragg, Sue Stork, Shaunel Evans

**Committee Members Absent:** Ann Ernst, Chris Welch

**Staff Members Present:** Mark Dalsing, Kelly Larson, Jerelyn O'Connor, Alvin Nash, Mike Van Milligen

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Doug Stillings at 6:40 p.m.

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH IOWA OPEN MEETINGS LAW**

**ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Chair Stillings administered the oath of office to the members who were present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Mary Rae Bragg, seconded by Anthony Allen, to approve the minutes of January 9, 2013, as submitted. All in favor.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**HUD Audit Report**

Kelly provided a summary of the HUD findings explaining the legal conclusion and the evidence HUD relied upon for the findings of intent and impact, along with the fifteen corrective actions requested by HUD. Alvin answered questions regarding the program. Doug reminded the committee that part of their role is to assist in providing accurate information to the public so people understand the program and how it operates.

**Update on letter to the Dubuque Community School District**

Letter to Dubuque Community School District – the goal with this is to contact Chrissy Johnson for some information on what the DCSD has in place already related to intercultural skills for students in order to determine needs and next steps.

“I’m A Dubuque” Series Update

Susan reported that she spoke with instructors and two did use this as assignment in class last spring, but in both cases they felt the quality of the writing was not publishable. They are committed to working on this again this year. The Neighbors series in the TH is also especially helpful.

Other Business

Items for Next Meeting – August 14, 2013

Doug asked that the next agenda include an update on the Housing Department so the committee remains informed on actions being taken.

**ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE:**

Mary Rae Bragg moved and Susan Stork seconded to accept the resignation of Diane Callahan. All in favor.

**ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

Mark provided an update of the crime statistics with 2012 numbers and also provided an update on the placement of cameras in various areas in town.

Jerelyn mentioned that on Tuesday, August 6, there is a National Night Out at Comiskey Park from 6-9 p.m. Several neighborhood groups are setting up booths and the Safe Community Advisory Committee would be welcome to set one up as well.

Doug also mentioned Art on the River, the Little Free Library someone put in their neighborhood, as things that all impact the feeling of safety and connection and make up the fabric of the community.

**ITEMS FROM PUBLIC:**

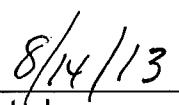
Mary Sawyer from the non-violence coalition, which is focused on gun reform and gun safety, was present to hear the conversations and thanked the group. She commented on the crime statistics chart did not include a comparison to the proportion of the population, which would tell a more complete story.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by Anthony and second by Susan. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kelly Larson

  
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Adopted