

51 DIVISION COMMUNITY POLICE LIAISON COMMITTEE
Muriel Collins Co-op Courtyard – 79 Richmond St. E.
Meeting Date 8th June, 2011

Members in Attendance/Not in Attendance:

ASSOCIATION	NAME	REP	ALT
Aberdeen Avenue Residents Group	Sandy Macdonald		
Cabbagetown South Residents Association			
Church Wellesley Neighbourhood Assoc.	Susan Gapka/Betty Pearson	X	X
Church Wellesley Village B.I.A.	David Wootton		
Community Safety Advocate	Bihi Sharmaarke	X	
Corktown Residents and Business Assoc	Donna Keravica/Julie Van Der Lugt		
Donvale Cabbagetown Residents Assoc	Garnet Siddall		
Downtown Yonge BIA	Randy Sidhu		
Gooderham and Worts Neighbourhood Assoc	Deb Devgan/Jesse Quarter	X	
Homewood/Maitland Safety Association	Paul Hyde	X	
John Innes Community Centre	Robert Coulter	X	
Longboat Area Residents Association	Kimberley Robyn/Sabina Sormova		
McGill-Granby Residents Association	Ian Gemmell/Richard Oakey		
Moss Park Arena Board of Management	Kathleen Kelly/Crystal Murphy	X	
Muriel Collins Housing Co-Op	Rosemary Ullyot		
Oak Street Co-Op	Gail Lacroix	Regrets	
Regent Park Community Health Centre	Gene Lincoln		
St Lawrence Market Neighbourhood BIA	Bob Kemp	X	
St Lawrence Market Neighbourhood Assoc	Cathy Waiten/Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel		X
The Salvation Army (51 Division Area)	Major Chris Dickens	X	
Upper Jarvis Neighbourhood Watch	Audrey Burton/Bob Oliver	X	
Yonge-Bay-Bloor BIA	Ian Taylor		
Howard Bortenstein		X	
Henry Hong		X	
Jozef Toporowski		X	
Gerardo Perez		X	
Guest	PC Kim Turner – Aboriginal Unit	X	
Guest			
TPS 51 Division Unit Commander	Supt John Tanouye	Regrets	
TPS 51 Division Inspector	Insp. Heinz Kuck	Regrets	
TPS 51 Division CRU S/Sgt	S/Sgt Rudy Pasini	X	
TPS 51 Division Detective	Dave Robertson	X	
TPS 51 Division CRU Secretary	Joanne Mueller	X	
Community Programs	Chaplain John Mastandrea	Regrets	
City Councillor Ward 27	Kristyn Wong-Tam/Melissa Wong		
City Councillor Ward 28	Pam McConnell		
Office of Glen Murray	Glen Murray/ Matt Edwards		

Toronto Community Housing
Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation
Ryerson Security and Emergency
Services

Gurmeet Singh
Troy Ford
Sheri Robinson

X

Call to Order: At 6:30 PM

Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Robert Coulter; seconded by Susan Gapka

Adoption of Minutes:

Moved by Kathleen Kelly; seconded by Robert Coulter

Community Co-Chairs' Report:

- Welcome from Muriel Co-op Board President:
- Firstly, a big thank you to Janice Fehley, President of the Board of Directors of the Muriel Collins Co-Op, Bob Kemp and Rosemary Ulylot for hosting and arranging our annual summer BBQ, thank you too to Bob's volunteers and suppliers.
- As mentioned in my email to the membership our Spring 2011 Open House BBQ at 51 Division hosted by the CPLC on Saturday, May 28th was a big success. A few hundred passed through the station and BBQ to meet the officers, Mounted, Dog Services and see the armoured truck from ETF. The tour of the facilities was in big demand and everyone enjoyed the wide range of music provided by the Coppertones. The June Bulletin covered the event with an article by Duncan McAllister.
- Thank you to the volunteers who came out, Rosemary and I couldn't have done it without you. Gerardo and his daughter greeted and directed in the front lobby, Joseph helped with set up, Bihi amassed more event photos for our album, Henry filled in wherever needed and of course, Bob came through once again with delicious BBQ refreshments. The TPS Auxiliary were a tremendous help in organizing from setting up to running the tours.
- Due to Supt. Tanouye's absence, the framed print of our CPLC logo we have donated to the Division will be available at the September meeting, please add your signatures then.
- We trust that everyone has their new CPLC volunteer ID cards, if not, please let Joanne know.
- As we will now be off for the month of July and August, we have provided an update to the 'Summer Contacts' list, and of course, the CRU and Community Relations officers are here should any specific issues arise.
- We will be sending via email, a Building Bridges Gala sponsor kit for your information and should you have any interested parties, please forward to them or if you think it would be beneficial, we have hard copies that we can arrange to get to you or any potential sponsor. Please keep this in mind through the summer and contact myself, Rosemary or Supt. Tanouye with any questions or suggestions.

Police Update – S/Sgt Rudi Pasini

Staff Pasini informed the membership of the following:

- No major crimes/shootings/homicides
- There have been a number of home invasions – criminal people being victimized
- B & E's are high – everything else is down
- There is a roving band out breaking into vehicles, (please remind everyone to close windows, lock doors etc. during warmer weather)
- A couple storage locker break ins in apt. buildings on King St and at 674 Dundas St.
- Issues with Evergreen (16 – 20 year olds) are loitering outside intimidating people

- Continuing to ride through parks dealing with homeless drinking etc.
- Request members (anyone) if they have any photographs /video that you can email us.

Guest Speaker: P.C. Kim Turner

Historical and Current Overview of the Aboriginal Peacekeeping Unit:

- One of the largest Aboriginal communities – 65,000-85,000
- 1989 TPS recognized the need to improve relations with Aboriginals – 1 officer assigned
- 1992, APU was established- 3 Aboriginal officers assigned
- Objective: to bridge the gap between the police and the aboriginal people and ensure access to police services
- Role of peacekeeper is to be aware of issues in the community sometimes acting as mediator – proactive

Unique Features of Police Interaction with Aboriginals:

Aboriginal Consultative Committee

- been in existence since 1991
- acts as mentor, counsellor, and friend to service and unit
- 1 level of TPS consultative process
- Co-chaired by S/Supt & community member
- Comprised of 1 youth & 20 members representing –homelessness, youth, schools, women's & men's issues, schools, housing, TDSB, Post secondary schools Ryerson, U of T, Seneca College
- Membership is chosen by committee members not TPS members
- APU officers are not committee members – but take minutes and act as support to the S/Supt.

Aboriginal Policing – Statement of Guiding Principles (pamphlet)

- April 7th, 2005 –TPSB approved creation of SLIG
- 4 subcommittees – one of which was aboriginal
- Early 2007 the subcommittee recommended the Board establish a policy in relation to Aboriginal Policing
- February 2009, TPSB adopted document “ Aboriginal Policing – Statement of Commitment and Guiding Principles”
- Created in consultation with the TPS Aboriginal Consultative Committee and the City's Aboriginal Affairs Committee
- Highlights: 1. Representation Accessibility, 2. Training, 3.Accountability Consultation and Information Sharing

Community Outreach

- 52 agencies that service Aboriginal community
- Provides mentoring as requested – with head starts and schools
- Attends agencies at pre-determined times at the request of agency or client
- Outreach provides an opportunity for the introduction of the police service to members of the Aboriginal community on a proactive and positive basis
- Officers assist the divisions and special units/ squads such as homicide, sex crimes, frauds on location of suspect, victims and wanted persons

- Officers been able to access divisions and specific unit to the community with presentations, information sessions and round table discussions
- Participate in a variety of events including: Pow wow, talking circles, career days, traditional ceremonies, opening of programs and buildings, dedication, celebration and conferences

Issues of Particular to the APU

- APU's primary focus **youth-** culturally we think 7 generations ahead and youth are future
- Attend on a regular basis pre-determined and randomly - 4 head start locations, 2 day care, 2 elementary schools with large population of Aboriginal students, and high school
- Deliver safety talks on various topics, participate in classroom activities, and address issues as they arise
- Engage in a variety of annual events which are critical to maintain ongoing programs for continuity and encourage lasting relationships:
 - Christmas Tree Decorating
 - Urban Youth Riding Project
 - Keeping the Circle Strong Camp
 - TPS National Aboriginal Day Celebration

Particularities of the Inner City Aboriginal Experience

- Sense of loss of community when leave their reserves
- Community is dispersed across the city – eg. China Town
- City melting pot for Aboriginal – First Nation, Métis, Inuit
- Community includes people from across Canada

You can contact Kim Turner at 416-808-7046 or email: kim.turner@torontopolice.on.ca

At this time Co-chair, Deb Devgan asked Kim to advise her of any youth that might like to be on our CPLC.

Project P.A.C.T.

Police And Community Together was developed around three specific identified problems.

- 1.) Historical Issues
- 2.) Community Identified Complaint
- 3.) Traffic Issues

Det. Dave Roberts re-addressed the membership regarding their three top complaints. The membership responded as follows:

Homewood/Maitland – prostitution still a problem

Church/Wellesley – Street people/drugs/prostitution in Cawthra-Church-Alexander & Hislop Park-Sanctuary

John Innes Community Ctr. – people loitering in park and parking lot

Ryerson – bike thefts and drugs on campus (spoke to Det. Brons)

220 Oak – Units 2301/2307 drugs big problem

Corktown – Needles in Sackville Park/Drugs @ Meth Clinic/Drugs in lane N/O Gerrard – W/O Parliament behind Christian Resource Ctr.

- Kathleen Kelly - Aggressive panhandling @ Jarvis/Richmond (Male-tall w/beard)
- Pro-turn Gerrard St. E. to Berkeley St. in AM rush-hour
 - Shuter/George St. – vandalism to vehicles
 - Males intoxicated hanging around park (Moss Park)

Rosemary Ulliot – Drugs, Richmond St. near #79

At this time Kathleen Kelly suggested Ted Ormstrom (Judge) next guest speaker: mental Health in courtroom.

Above Member's Reports followed by Q & A's

Treasurer's Report – Rosemary Ulliot

There was no change from the previous report. Budget stands at \$955.12.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 14th, 2011 – 6:30 PM
51 Division Community Room