



# NAC 6 & 9 Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

**Recorder:** Michele Bowman

**Location:** William Talley Recreation Center, 121 North Bentz Street, Frederick MD 21701

**Start Time:** 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:15 pm

**Attendance:** Residents: 16

**POLICE REPORT:** Sgt. Snyder & Cpl. Sparks

**CRIME STATS:**

	<b>NAC 6</b> March 21 – May 10, 2019	<b>NAC 9</b> March 20 – May 14, 2019
Calls for service (total)	1172	609
Proactive Enforcement	288 patrol checks and 83 traffic stops	133 patrol checks and 195 traffic stops
Arrests	23 (8 from traffic stops)	7
Significant Issues		
Other:		
Robbery:	1 – purse was taken	0
Burglary:	2 – Taney Avenue & Rosemont Ave.	2
Theft of Auto	0	0
Theft from Auto	0	0

**CRIME PATTERNS/TRENDS/MISC**

Community Crime Notifications	
Additional Needs	
Resident Concerns	Kline Blvd. speeding concerns. Highest speed registered is 37 mph. Speed box is now before the speed humps to see if the speed is different. More info will be coming.
Additional Info:	FPD is looking for lateral of entry level police officers – <a href="http://www.frederickpolice.org">www.frederickpolice.org</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 1 – Teen Summit</li> <li>• June 8 – Crime Summit</li> </ul> Please contact Michele Bowman for more information

**GUEST SPEAKER**

- **Margie Foster – Concerted Care Group (CCG) 240-815-7282**  
CCG is an innovative health care group that integrates primary care, mental health, substance abuse treatment, and supportive services including vocational training, job placement, and resource coordination.

CCG is located on Scholls Lane in Frederick. They do take Medicaid, Maryland Uninsured Grant and self-pay  
This is the location where Project 103 used to be.

**PLANNING:**

Project Name: **Langworthy-Woody Subdivision Plat PC19-406FSU**  
 COF Staff: Marshall Brown  
 Applicant: B&R Design Group  
 Owner: Scott and Katherine Langworthy  
 Description: Plat for the re-subdivision of 264 and 266 Dill Avenue to adjust the common lot line in order to reflect current conditions relating to fencing and parking area. No change in existing use or characteristics of lot is proposed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Eduardo Martinez: Parkway Elementary cutting staff**

Parents are concerned about teachers being cut from Parkway Elementary Next year kindergarten 1 teacher for 35 kids This is a change from the smaller class sizes they currently have.

A suggestion was made to partner with the Teachers Union and to contact the Board of Education. The budget will be approved June 5<sup>th</sup>. There is one more Board of Education meeting prior to the budget meeting.

**Identifying the Problem/Issue**

- Per the proposed 2018-2019 BOE Budget, the class sizes at Parkway Elementary School are scheduled to almost double due to a decrease in the number of teachers at each grade level.
- Per the PTA presentation and currently available information, the current and proposed student-teach allocation is as follows:

	2018-2019 School Year			2019-2020 School Year (Projected / Proposed)		
Grade	# of Children per Grade	# of Teachers per Grade	Student to Teacher Ratio	# of Children per Grade	# of Teachers per Grade	Student to Teacher Ratio
Kind.	31	2	15.5	34	1	34
1	39	2	19.5	37	1	37
2	34	2	17	42	2	21
3	40	2	20	35	1.5	23.3
4	41	2	20.5	41	2	20.5
5	34	2	17	36	1.5	24
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18.25</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>

- It is believed that the drop is staffing and Parkway Elementary is due to a change in Title 1 Federal Appropriations. However:
  - o Overall funding increased for the 2019-2020 School Year (need to verify)
  - o Number of teachers for the county as-a-whole increased for the 2019-2020 school year (to be verified)
- It appears that the understaffing problem at Parkway Elementary is not due to a lack of resources, but instead due to the BOE allocation decisions.

**Topics of Concern to Highlight to BOE**

- Safety Concerns
  - o Due to the number of students placed in each class room (as opposed to spreading the students over several classrooms – which requires additional staffing)
  - o Fire Marshal requirements – to be verified
    - Current fire code requires 20 sq. ft. of space per student per room
    - By having such large numbers of students in each classroom, the BOE is endangering the students and in-fact being negligent in their responsibility to keep student safe.
      - The BOE has a duty to keep the students under their care safe from harm;
      - The Fire Marshall has determined that the safe amount of space, in case of emergency, is 20 sq. ft. of space per student per room;
      - By not properly staffing Parkway Elementary and forcing class room overcrowding, the BOE, by both their current actions, and inaction to correct the situation, may cause harm to students;
      - If harm should occur, the BOE could be held liable for negligence.
  - o Americans with Disability Act
    - The Americans with Disability Act (ADA) requires schools to provide reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities;
    - Food Allergies are considered a disability under the ADA;

- The Center for Disease Control’s (CDC’s) Guidelines on Reducing the Risk of Exposure to Food Allergens encourages children to wash hands before and after handling or consuming food (among other things);
- Washing hands by all students in a classroom before school starts and after lunch is a reasonable accommodation;
- By not properly staffing Parkway Elementary and forcing large class sizes, the BOE is making it difficult for the existing staff to enforce the reasonable accommodation of hand washing;
- By failing to enforce the reasonable accommodation of hand washing – the BOE could be held liable for failing to comply with the ADA.
- General Negligence
  - The BOE has a duty to keep the student under their care safe from harm;
  - By not properly staffing Parkway Elementary, the BOE is taking action that may cause harm to students;
  - If harm should occur, the BOE could be held liable for negligence.
- Educational Concerns
  - Lack of quality education
  - Detrimental to standardized test scores
  - Detrimental to the retention of staff

**Requested NAC Support**

- NAC 6&9 coordinators agreed to send letter to BOE stating the NACs support for additional staffing at Parkway Elementary
- Requested support from attendees to meeting
  - Attendees requested information be placed on the NextDoor App to obtain information and who to contact.

**SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS/MISC:**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- June 1<sup>st</sup> 9 am – 1 pm Teen Summit, contact M. Bowman, Frederick Police
- June 8<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 1 pm Crime Summit, contact M. Bowman, Frederick Police
- June 24-27<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 12:30 pm Youth Academy, contact M. Bowman, Frederick Police
- Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 6 – 9 pm National Night Out, contact M. Bowman, Frederick Police

**NAC CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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**NAC 9 – Frederick Police Department**

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<b>NAC 6/9 MEETINGS – 7:00 pm</b> <b>Talley Rec. Center</b>  <b>2019 Schedule</b> July 17 September 18 November 20	<b>FREDERICK POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>  <b>Emergency: 911</b> <b>Non-Emergency: 301-600-2100</b> <b>Anonymous Crime Tips</b> 301-600 TIPS (8477) – phone 240-674-TIPS (8477) - text fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org	<b>FACEBOOK</b> Please “like” the following  Frederick Police Department Neighborhood Advisory Council
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