

Recorder: Lauren Paulet
Location: Tasker's Chance Pool House
Start Time: 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:00PM
Attendance: Recorded by Belinda Morton-Rusk. 3 Residents joined virtually.
 City staff: Tracy Coleman, Mike Winpigler, Chip Stitley, George Shankle, Lauren Paulet
 County staff: M.C Keegan, Chief Tom Coe

POLICE REPORT: Presented by Cpl. Dodson

Strategic Direction	
Intelligence Led Policing:	Remarks
Report Dates	September 22, 2022 to 10/26/2022
Crime Stats:	
Calls for service (Total)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1926
Proactive Enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 568 Patrol Checks 125 Traffic Stops
Arrests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Criminal Arrests 30 Traffic Arrests
Significant Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10-50 Fatal on Hillcrest Drive near Coats Bridge still an ongoing investigation.
Focus Four Crimes:	
Robbery (0)	
Burglary (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22-073164-No signs of forced entry reporting party believed it was a maintenance worker that stole currency from her nightstand.
Theft of Auto (0)	
Theft from Auto (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22-073371-Victim stated that she was carrying items in her residence and left her vehicle unlocked. When she returned she observed several subjects leaving the vicinity of her vehicle and a Michael Kohrs purse valued at \$350 was missing.

Crime Patterns/Trends:	
Community Crime Notifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lock doors and windows to your residence and vehicle. • Keep all items of value out of view (car/residence) and curtains/blinds closed. • Do not leave objects that could be used to break windows outside (rocks, bricks, etc.). • Investing in a doorbell camera and/or surveillance system provides a peace of mind and is great for identifying suspects and solving crimes.
Problem Solving:	
Coordination of Departmental Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
Identified Needs of the Community (reported)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued checks of parking complaints IAO Park Ridge Drive. • Several CFS generated for parking complaints for vehicles parked on Schaffer Dr. and Hampshire Dr.

PLANNING:

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of [Minutes from Sept. 22, 2022 Meeting](#). Motioned by Belinda Morton-Rusk. Unanimously approval.

NEW BUSINESS:

Statistics on Paramedic Services/Calls, by Fire Chief Tom Coe

- An independent hose company on Baughmans Lane partners with Frederick County Fire & Rescue to provide 7 county employees around the clock to service NAC 5 neighborhoods.
- Chief Coe explained that the average response time for advanced life support (ALS) in Taskers Chance is **7 minutes and 31 seconds**, well under the county's expectation for service delivery.
- The longest response time was **13 minutes and 20 seconds**. During that call all the ALS units for the city were tied up, and the ALS unit from the new design station, was on Route 80, cleared a call and made it up here in 13 minutes.
- The way their system is designed is that the paramedic chase cars are very mobile, and they can fill in the gaps. So when we get to the scene and realize that person doesn't need the services of a paramedic, that chase car immediately goes back in service and can go to the next call.
- Coe brought forward good news, that the county was recently **awarded \$8.5 million grant** that allows them to add **32** firefighters to improve staffing.
- One resident mentioned that on October 17th, a resident in Hill Crossing fell. When responders arrived on the scene they could not find the KNOX box.

- Chief Coe mentioned that there are ~7000 KNOX boxes in Frederick County and no standard place to put them. Responders often look around on the outside of the building, but in some cases the boxes and past the first set of doors for an apartment building. There are stickers they can put on the outside of the door to indicate where KNOX boxes are. Coe will investigate the issue, identify who responded, and help educate them.

Snow Removal & Winter Updates – Mike Winpigler, Superintendent of Street Maintenance

- During snow removal there are three shifts. His department salts the streets and plows snow. The first shift has ~47 drivers, which is more than they've had before. The second shift has 37-38 drivers, with a few more being hired.
- Last week they trained 127 on snow removal.
- Residents mentioned that properties in a cul-de-sac often get 6-9 feet piles of snow blocking their driveway during snow emergencies. They recommend that the trucks go around and plow in the other direction to push the snow over to the cul-de-sac island.
- Winpigler accepted the feedback and mentioned that his staff typically pushes the snow to the right side, where the intakes are. If snow is pushed to the island, it could melt onto the road and refreeze causing a secondary issue: ice.

Fall Leaves & Yard Waste – George Shankle, Superintendent of Sewer & Stormwater

- Yard waste pick-up will occur on the same day as your currently scheduled solid waste (trash) pick-up. They can be placed in a 25-gallon container or brown paper bags, placed 3 feet away from the trash.
- Why it's important to collect your yard waste:
 - Leaves are slippery, for vehicles and pedestrians alike.
 - They can clog up the storm drain system in bulk. If that occurs, streets are more prone to flooding.
 - When you have a large concentration of anything, it's not good for the environment. One of our biggest pollutants in our rivers and streams is sediment, and that includes significant buildup from leaves.

DPW Structure & Organization – Tracy Coleman, Deputy Director of Public Works

- Residents asked why so much infrastructure is being built. Coleman responded that it's the city's plan to create a more bike friendly community. It takes time to create a connected system of bike lanes and shared-use paths.
- 3-4 residents expressed that they would prefer to have less bicycle infrastructure, out of concern for traffic and congestion in their neighborhood.
- Residents can attend public meetings to express their concerns directly to elected officials, or the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee.
- Coleman heads up the operations division which includes streets maintenance, sanitation, water, sewer, storm drains, stormwater management, light signal. These are the folks that maintain things right that fix things when they break.

- o The planning department is outside of her responsibility. Any new developments pass through that department.

NAC Revitalization – Opportunities for Community Input

- Lauren introduced herself as the city's new community engagement specialist. She explained how the city wants to make the NAC program more effective. The NAC revitalization initiative concerns three foundational elements for neighborhood engagement: purpose, model/structure of program, and boundaries.
 - o Purpose: In the resolution for the City of Frederick, the NACs have primarily used for informing, and identifying positive changes in the neighborhood.
- The city wants to learn about what elements of neighborhood & community engagement matter to residents. There are [three different surveys](#) residents can take to provide input. Residents may also email or call Lauren Paulet to share ideas.

SUGGESTIONS & COMMENTS / MISC:

Heartly House Community Survey – [Take Survey Here](#)

Residents express concern of development jeopardizing historic farms in NAC 5. Many feel that the development is not what the farm owner wanted when he passed.

Residents also express concern over contaminants in their area that are contributing to many cancer cases. One resident attending the meeting has had cancer twice and stated that many of her neighbors have similarly been affected by rare cancers. She believes that the homes should have never been developed in the first place.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

Next Planning Commission Workshop Meeting: Nov 21, 2022 @2-4PM | City Hall
DEA Drug Take Back Event – Saturday, October 29 from 10AM-2PM at Frederick County Health Department

Turkey Distribution by Frederick Dept. of Housing & Human Services: November 22 @3-7PM | Nymeo Field at Harry Grove Stadium

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