



# NAC 5 Meeting Minutes

## Thursday, January 26, 2017

**Recorder:** Belinda Morton

**Location:** Taskers Chance Pool House

**Start Time:** 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:30 pm

**Attendance:** 14 residents

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### **POLICE REPORT:**

Sgt. Pecor was in attendance and talked about the below statistics as well as address any concerns. He spoke of thefts from vehicles which is a problem throughout the City. Sgt. Pecor talked about shoplifters and robberies at the K-Mart, Boscov's and Rite Aide locations, mostly occurring between 3 and 5 pm. Sgt. Pecor discussed the reason for some of these situations is a new thrill using cough syrup and Kool aide. He reminded residents to call the police for any car thefts whether anything was taken or disturbed. He also mentioned letting your neighbors know as in today's society with cameras at many homes, the culprit may have been caught on film which would assist the police. This information will be shared in next newsletter to residents. Next meeting, our NAC will have Cpl. Essel attending.

CRIME STATS: January 19 – February 16, 2017

Calls for service (total)	1149
Proactive Enforcement	392 patrol checks and traffic stops
Arrests	31
Significant Issues	

### FOCUS FOUR CRIMES

Robbery	0
Burglary	0
Theft of Auto	0
Theft from Auto	3

### CRIME PATTERNS/TRENDS/MISC

Community Crime Notifications	Please remember to lock outbuildings, sheds, vehicles, residences, etc.
Additional Needs	
Resident Issues/Concerns	•
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crime information can be found at <a href="https://communitycrimemap.com/">https://communitycrimemap.com/</a>. There is also an App that can be downloaded for cell phones.</li> <li>• Continuous openings for lateral police officers</li> <li>• Police Explorer Post #153 – looking for youth ages 14-20 who are interested in law enforcement.</li> </ul>

### **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- **Jeff Wright, City of Frederick – ADA Information**  
Our Guest speaker, Jeff Wright, [jwright@cityoffrederick.com](mailto:jwright@cityoffrederick.com) 301-600-1406, was very gracious and informative in explaining ADA regulations and City Compliance. He was very considerate and understanding of our frustrations and questions. Of those in attendance, 60% were disabled and found this to be a concerning topic. Some of the things that Jeff spoke on were his position to attempt to review all sketch and site plans to observe ADA compliance on the outside of properties. There is another City employee appointed to look at the indoor compliance's. Outside compliance involves curb cuts, parking spaces, grade of entire property, and hand railing needs. The feds regulate parking spaces per a designated chart and a business can deem that they wish to add further spaces than required. For a handicap space to be a designated space, only for handicap licensed drivers, it must have both blue painted insignia AND a erected handicap sign. Otherwise, anyone can park in the space if both are not present. Any new construction must allocate 20% of it's funding cost to ADA accessible necessities.

Our City does not have a designated person to deal with all ADA compliance issues. Most cities do have such a person to take all calls, emails, etc. and decide what or who complaints should go to. Even Hood College has a designated ADA compliance employee. We discovered that there are many offices taking care of compliance without true cross communication; outside compliance, inside compliance, curb structure decisions (transportation), compliance complaints (code enforcement), etc. We decided as a community to write to city officials to encourage a better system and the hiring

of one individual to coordinate all issues. Jeff is supposed to email us information which we will share with residents through the newsletter.

We did discuss various particular locations and concerns. We discussed the lack of compassion and understanding by those in the decision making process that seem to only look at those in wheelchairs rather than the whole picture of those that can't 'walk' any distance. One example was the new revamping of the Senior Center on Tawney Ave that put all the handicap parking on the far end of the building as far from the front door as possible and the door has no electronic opening system. We were told that this is a County property even though it is located within the City. We discussed the new Wal-Mart which could have put in over 1200 parking spaces but chose to only add 777 spaces because to have the greater amount would have incurred them needing to ramp up to more handicap spaces per the feds chart. There are 24 spaces, although only 19 spaces located at the front doors. YET, he feds required 77 bike parking spaces! Residents were not happy with this information. We were encouraged to write to the federal officials, state officials and city officials over our displeasure's in these regulations. Jeff said he would email contacts for us to email and call. Many other properties were discussed as well.

A resident spoke on the poor condition of handicap parking spaces in some City locations. Jeff suggested that we take those concerns to the businesses involved. For instance, the handicap spaces at Giant Eagle on Rt. 40 are in disrepair, we should report to the store as they would be the person sued if a fall were to happen due to the disrepair.

Jeff did share two websites for everyone to look through: [DHCD.MARYLAND.GOV](http://DHCD.MARYLAND.GOV) and [ADA.GOV](http://ADA.GOV)

### ***OLD BUSINESS:***

- Please “LIKE” City of Frederick NAC 5 on Facebook

### ***NEW BUSINESS:***

### ***SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS/UPDATES:***

- Resident asked where we were in attempting to get street lights along Shookstown Road between Baughman and Montevue. She brought up all the drug activity going on in the townhouse development in that area and that she and her neighbors look out when they hear gunshots or a raucous but are unable to help the police because there is little to no light to see license plates. This is a high crime area and lights are needed.
- Resident requested that we invite to a NAC meeting, Paul Hartman, of The Freedom Center who is a Disability Advocate that could explain to residents what he can offer in services to help disabled individuals in their own homes.
- I shared with residents what Goodwill has to offer disabled people but they do not advertise. They keep all medical needs supplies that are donated in the back room. If you are in need and tell them so, they will take you back to the supplies so that you can obtain whatever you need from wheelchairs, walkers, canes, potty chairs, shower chairs, etc. You can obtain whatever you need free of charge.
- We spoke of the need for residents to attend NAC meetings to stay informed of everything going on in their community. We discussed that site plans must come through the NAC before Planning can approve and that ADA issues would be one particular item that residents could review and make suggestions to send on to the City.
- Residents seemed rather pumped at tonight's meeting and willing to do whatever necessary to attempt to become involved.
- Catherine announced that the Mall has been sold to two doctors that are brothers in Frederick, Dr. Mohammed M. Mohiuddin and Dr Sabihi Mohiuddin, no one knows what their plans are for the property.

### ***UPCOMING EVENTS:***

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| • March 11 <sup>th</sup> | 8 am – noon | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual FPD Crime Summit        |
| • April 26 <sup>th</sup> | 6-8 pm      | COF Open House –                               |
| • April 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 7 pm        | Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd |
| • April 11 <sup>th</sup> | 7 pm        | Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd |
| • April 18 <sup>th</sup> | 7 pm        | Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd |
| • April 25 <sup>th</sup> | 7 pm        | Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd |
| • May 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | 7 pm        | Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd |






- May 9<sup>th</sup> 7 pm Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd
- May 10<sup>th</sup> 3 pm Public Hearing for FY 18 Budget – location tbd

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<p><b>NAC 5 MEETINGS – 7:00 pm</b>  <b>Taskers Chance Pool House</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>2017</u></p> <p>March 23<sup>rd</sup>        April 27<sup>th</sup>        May 25<sup>th</sup>        June 22<sup>nd</sup>        August 24<sup>th</sup>        September 28<sup>th</sup>        October 26<sup>th</sup>        December - tbd</p>	<p><b>FREDERICK POLICE DEPARTMENT</b></p> <p><b>Emergency:</b> 911  <b>Non-Emergency:</b> 301-600-2100  <b>Anonymous Crime Tips</b>        301-600 TIPS (8477) – phone        240-674-TIPS (8477) - text  <a href="mailto:fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org">fpdcrimetip@frederickmdpolice.org</a>  <b>Drug Tip Line</b>        301-600-2246  <a href="mailto:fpddrugtip@frederickmdpolice.org">fpddrugtip@frederickmdpolice.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Like, Click, Follow</i></p> <p> <a href="#">@Frederickpolice</a></p> <p> <a href="#">@Fred_MD_Police</a></p> <p> <a href="#">FrederickMDPolice</a></p> <p> <a href="#">Frederick Police Department</a></p> <p> <a href="#">Frederick Police Department</a></p>
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