

Present: **15 Zoom Participants:**

The meeting began at 6:30 pm

Jerry Junes – Stamford Police Department gave an update on community policing programs. In the past community policing program units were specifically designated in the South End and the West Side; comprised of two men teams /officers with a Sargent.

Now there are community outreach programs that tackles all the avenues of community policing but with a lot more:

- Officers attend community meetings
- **5 main community programs**
 - **Coffee with a cop**-conversations over a cup of coffee that can take place anywhere but typically they like to hold them at coffee shops at no cost.
 - **Pizza with a cop**- same concept as coffee with a cop. The meetings are not always held at pizza restaurants but at senior facilities and housing complexes.
 - **Cook-outs** with Charter Oak communities
- **National Night out** – collaborate with any entity in the city of Stamford.
- **Faith in Blue Weekend** – starts on Friday to connect with the City of Stamford Clergy. The thought is to have conversations on what the Stamford Police can do to improve and how to connect to members of the community from a spiritual perspective.

The Pal Building- In the pal building there are ***culinary classes on Thursday, Art on Saturday, gardening and Mighty Might's Basketball Friday nights and Saturday mornings*** for kids 5-13. All programs are free.

Currently there isn't a group of officers assigned to a particular area. The Stamford Police can have conversations on community issues at any time. The officers are still community oriented and community minded.

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All school resource officers are a part of the community outreach team. The community outreach team also deals with the Juvenile Revenue Board. Any kids in Stamford arrested for nonviolent crimes are brought before the Juvenile Revenue Board, a restorative type of practice to get the kids assistance as opposed to the judicial system.

Question-Sue Halpern: Have there been any gatherings in the South End?

Answer-Jerry Junes: No gatherings in the South End but open for ideas. He mentioned that he could possibly put something together within 2-weeks that would be beneficial for everyone.

Liz Abasi inquired about Police presence in the neighborhood due to problems with her building. Liza also mentioned that she is aware that the owners are responsible for cleaning the snow on the sidewalks, but the trucks continually push the snow, blocking the driveways and burying cars.

Jerry Junes stated that stolen vehicles are almost unavoidable. He also reminded us that Stamford is the safest city in the United States, but he will pass the request for increased patrols to the Patrol Captain.

Doris Johnson inquired about the name of the **Faith Based program**.

Jerry June answered **Faith in Blue**.

Question-Kayla Coker: Are volunteers needed for the Juvenile Revenue Board?

Answer-Jerry Junes: We could always use volunteers every Tuesday. Jerry advised Kayla to give him a call.

Sue Halpern brought up issues about Woodland Cemetery, i.e. (gate open, late-night traffic) and inquired about patrolling the cemetery. **Jerry** stated he would put it on the list to give to the Patrol Captain. Sue also asked about putting a blue light in the K-Park. **Jerry** stated he would also forward the blue light request to the Chief.

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Liz Abasi inquired about BLT allowing residents to park in their garages or parking lots during snowstorms. **Jerry Junes** suggested coffee with the community to come up with a solution

Sheila Barney asked Hattie Firlik of BLT if the request for garage parking during snowstorms could be brought up to BLT management? **Hattie** stated she would bring the concern to BLT management and get back with an update.

Chanta Graham mentioned that the dog facility on Elmcroft Road allowed the residents of the Elmcroft condominium complex to park in their parking lot while the operator removed the snow from the grounds of the Elmcroft condominiums

Sue Halpern announced the zoning board approval of the Bathhouse on Washington Blvd.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm