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ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PROPOSED MINUTES of PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING ENCINO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 4935 BALBOA BLVD., MARCH 18, 2009

1. Call to order by Chair, Tonya Barseghian, at 7:25pm; present were Sherman Gamson, Greg Martayan, Sharon Brewer and Diana Crews. Excused absence: Hi Hand and Hal Sullivan. A quorum was established.
2. Approval of February 18, 2009 minutes
 - a: With the exception of Mr. Martayan's inquiry regarding his unexcused absence for February 18, 2009- the committee unanimously approved the minutes. The status of Mr. Martayan's absence will be verified and confirmed at next meeting.
3. Old Business
 - a: CERT Update: According to Firefighter Willis, approximately fifty trainees have officially enrolled and are active. The registration list maintained by the committee reflects fifteen potential trainees who had registered and have failed to attend. The instructor for this training session is Firefighter Willis; he is informative, entertaining, and energetic; he keeps the class engaged throughout each lesson. The trainees are excited and thankful to the committee for providing these classes in conjunction with LAFD CERT.
Sharon Brewer inquired about the recent purchase of emergency preparedness kits from SOS Survival Products. Ms. Brewer's concern includes a potential funding and storing discrepancy. Ms. Brewer questioned the amount of kits available from previous years. Ms Barseghian stated that per her conversation with Jesse Woods, there are no more kits stored anywhere. However, Mr. Martayan believes there may be or should be additional kits from previous years stored somewhere. Ms. Brewer reminded the committee of the kits' expiration and advised reviewing the credit card transactions for purchases with SOS Survival Products found on the DONE website. The matter will be further investigated.
 - b: Fire Zone Signage Update: This issue is still pending with LAFD Brush Unit; item moved to next meeting.

New Business
4.
 - a: Bylaws Article Code of Civility: Moved to next meeting.
 - b: Emergency/Disaster Plan: The Disaster Preparedness committee of the Encino Chambers of Commerce would like to coordinate their efforts with Encino Neighborhood Council and the Public Safety committee to formulate a systematic plan to prepare for a potential disaster. According to the plan, West Valley Medical Center will be the backup medical facility for Providence Tarzana Medical Center in the event of a major emergency. The committee expressed great interest in participating with this plan. The committee recommended

contacting strategically located schools and religious institutions and request available space for food and water storage purposes. It was also advised that a responsible "block captain" be selected to maintain the storages. The "block captain" should be available to unlock storages in the event of a major emergency/disaster; backup should be assigned to this position. Mr. Martayan recommended that Chairs of Homeowner Associations be trained to use HAM radios.

c: LAPD: West Valley Update: Increase in the number of transients in the area has become a concern. A fifty year old female transient near Crespi has become a disturbance to the community. She refuses shelter and displays inappropriate and offensive behavior. A restraining order may be issued for her to stay away from the intersection near Crespi.

Also, a young female door to door solicitor selling magazines claimed to have been raped by a young male resident. Upon interviewing the resident, LAPD concluded that a rape had not occurred and the DA's office did not file any charges. The female moved back home, out of state.

Lastly, a home under construction was broken into; not an unusual incident.

No other significant crime reports.

As there was no further new business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.