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Proposed Minutes of Public Safety Committee Meeting Encino Chamber of Commerce 4935 Balboa Blvd., Encino April 15, 2009

 Call to order by Chair, Tonya Barseghian, at 7:30pm; present were Sherman Gamson, Hi Hand, Diana Crews, Sharon Brewer (stakeholder), and Mae Yeung (guest). Unexcused absence: Greg Martayan and Hal Sullivan. A quorum was established.

2. Approval of Minutes

- a: February 18, '09 minutes amended- Greg Martayan excused absence.
- b. Unanimous approval of March 18, '09 minutes; Sharon Brewer requested to have her status as a stakeholder indicated in the minutes.
- 3. Code of Civility statement read aloud.

4. Old Business

a. CERT: The committee was updated on the CERT graduation. Kits were distributed to those who graduated. LAFD also provided graduates with a helmet, backpack, vest and basic first aid essentials. Graduates celebrated Firefighter Willis' birthday with a cake. Everyone was pleased with the kits and grateful to the committee for offering CERT to the community.

Jeff Edelstein's letter documenting the number of orders placed and kits purchased and distributed was handed to the committee. After reviewing the document, everyone agreed that no more kits were leftover from the previous year. This is no longer an issue.

- b. Tonya submitted a written request for fire zone signage to Captain Nelson, assistant to Chief Frye, from LAFD's Research Legal Liaison. He will be assisting us with this matter from here on.
- c. Encino Disaster Preparedness Summit is to be held on May 8th at Providence Tarzana Medical Center.

5. New Business

a: First Presbyterian Church of Encino has reported an issue with a couple of transients who have been displaying offensive, inappropriate and illegal behavior.

This issue was forwarded to Snr. Lead Officer Trulik, who may forward it to the City Attorney's Office; this case is under investigation.

b. The committee would like to offer Disaster Awareness Course(s) to teachers/professors teaching in the Encino community. The committee will work on a flyer designed to attract teachers interested in receiving this type of training. Hi Hand will present the idea to the Education committee at their next meeting. The committee is also interested in offering Teen CERT to the community, a separate flyer designed to attract students who can achieve community service credit will also be created and presented at our next meeting.

The committee also suggested offering a weekend CERT to the neighborhood. Tonya will inquire with Firefighter Willis regarding the schedule.

c: LAPD West Valley Update: Detectives have recently reported a common trend in home burglaries with unlocked doors and windows. Make sure your doors and windows are secured with locks. Also, the police department recommends to secure homes with good lighting and alarms. Be vigilant and aware of your surroundings and report any suspicious activity. There have also been an increase in car-break ins, remember NOT to store any valuables in your car, by doing so we can help prevent crimes of opportunity.

Two transients who live at Genesta Park have been causing a disturbance. The two know one another, yet have restraining orders against each other. The committee suggested contacting Lee Marks from the Encino Community Center to recommend notifying parents and others to discourage their behavior and to not enable them so that they move from the park.

- Next committee meeting set for May 20, 2009 at 7:15pm.

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