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City of West Allis Matter Summary

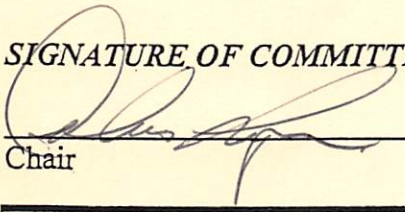
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File Number	Title	Status
2006-0543	Communication	In Committee
	Communication from Police Chief regarding Community Policing Initiatives.	
	Introduced: 9/5/2006	Controlling Body: Safety & Development Committee

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION File

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SIGNATURE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

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 Chair Vice-Chair Member

COMMON COUNCIL ACTION **PLACE ON FILE**

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CITY OF WEST ALLIS

WISCONSIN



August 18, 2006

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Dean Puschnig

Chief of Police

Honorable Mayor Bell and
Members of the Common Council
West Allis, Wisconsin 53214

RE: Community Policing Initiatives

Dear Mayor Bell and Members of the Council:

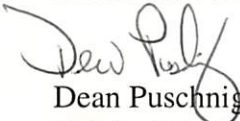
Over the last several years, we have solved problems in our community in a variety of ways. We have encouraged our officers to walk the beat in residential neighborhoods and the business community and to make "positive contacts" on a daily basis. These types of activities are conducted on all three patrol shifts, although quite honestly it's difficult to do on the late night shift because of the time of day. This summer when staffing levels have been adequate, officers have been assigned to specifically patrol the playgrounds and parks, which included special bike and foot patrols in these areas.

We have also resolved problems in the community by hosting meetings to address specific issues such as the recent shooting at the Knights of Columbus, cruising problems on Highway 100, State Fair issues and numerous problems in various neighborhoods.

In an attempt to resolve other problems in residential areas, we host a block captain meeting which has been attended by over 200 people annually. I attend this meeting along with several other members of our administrative staff. We discuss new initiatives and programs within the Department and city. Block captains are provided with an information sheet, so they can document specific problems that are occurring within their neighborhood. The neighborhood problems are discussed and then assigned to a specific shift so that we can resolve this issue.

Enclosed is a copy of the agenda for our most recent meeting, which was held on May 24th. There were forty different problems from throughout the City that were solved at this meeting. Also enclosed are six examples of these neighborhood problems and what officers on the early night shift did to resolve these issues. The majority of these problems are quality of life issues and while some people may view these issues as just a little nuisance, we as a Department must do our best to try and resolve these issues before they escalate into something more serious.

Should you have any questions or concerns pertaining to problems in your district, please don't hesitate to contact me.


Dean Puschnig
Chief of Police



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CITY OF WEST ALLIS

WISCONSIN



DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Dean Puschnig

Chief of Police

Block Captain Meeting

May 24, 2006

1. Goals of the meeting:

- Information sharing session
- Help maintain our Neighborhood Watch program
- Address neighborhood concerns and take action to correct these problems

2. Satellite Police Station:

- Located at 6900 W. National Ave
- This facility is working very well. Officer's type reports, conduct follow up investigations, cite and release traffic offenders, process non-violent prisoners and respond to calls from this location.
- Has resulted in additional police patrols and improved our response time
- Recently, an officer left the satellite building and arrested an armed robber in the Pick N Save parking lot

3. Asset Forfeiture Account:

- Officers assigned to our Special Investigations Unit arrest numerous drug dealers and confiscate drugs, cash, and property. This money is placed in the Asset Forfeiture Account.
- Since 1996, we have saved the city over \$1,000,000 by making purchases from this account.
- The types of expenditures allowed are dictated by Federal Guidelines. The following types of purchases are authorized under this program: travel and training expenses, communications and computers, firearms, body armor, surveillance equipment, vehicles, building improvements, and other law enforcement expenses.

4. Nuisance Ordinance:

- Has worked out well and has eliminated some problems in neighborhoods throughout the city
- Any premise that has generated 3 or more calls for service (for nuisance related activities) within a 60 day period is subject to review
- Property owners receive a warning letter, along with a copy of the city ordinance and asked to correct the problem
- If we receive another legitimate complaint a bill for police services is sent to the property owner



5. **City Centennial Celebration:**

- Centennial parade just prior to Western Days parade
- Starting in June - events held throughout the city
- National Night Out - Centennial theme
- September 23rd, open house at the Satellite Building, Senior Center, Health Department and Fire Department.

6. **Crime in West Allis:**

- Annual crime statistics are listed in the table below:

Offense	2002	2003	2004	2005
Murder	-	3	0	5
Rape	8	19	18	18
Robbery	66	96	59	81
Aggravated Assault	81	69	55	79
Burglary	493	433	389	476
Theft	1,850	1,931	1,850	1,948
Motor Vehicle Theft	191	214	213	221
Arson	36	26	29	32

7. **Neighborhood Watch Newsletters:**

- Very important in helping to maintain our program
- Any suggestions you may have should be referred to Lieutenant Rob Navarrette (302-8054)
- Need to start new neighborhood watch groups

8. **Community Prosecutor Program – (Assistant District Attorney John Chisholm)**

- Assistant District Attorney is at our Police Department 2 days a week.
- Issue state charges for crimes such as: (retail theft, carrying concealed weapon, criminal damage to property, disorderly conduct (DC while armed), obstructing, resisting, graffiti, bail jumping, possession of a controlled substance (THC and Cocaine).
- Program improves our efficiency (saves overtime and travel time)

9. **Concerns from Block Captains:**

- We're concerned about problems in your neighborhood. Whenever we become aware of problems we take action to correct those problems.
- We will provide information to you on what is being done to take care of these problems.
- We're going to make a list of your concerns and try to solve these problems.
- Lieutenant Navarrette or a supervisor from the Patrol Division will call you (to explain the results of our additional enforcement) and see if the problem has been taken care of.



West Allis Police Department Community Meeting

Name: Wendy Winkler

Address: 1811 S 56 ST (or email winkler@mcw.edu)

Telephone Number: 5413331 Home: Work: Cell: Best time to call: after 6:30P

Time permitting we will try and get to everyone's concerns/problems. If not we will give you a call regarding your concerns.

Instead of addressing your concern/problem this evening would you prefer a call back? Yes Doesn't matter No _____

Please write down your comments or concerns.

ISSUE ONE: I dread yet another summer listening to the constant barking of the dog at 1816/1818 South 57 Street! I don't know if the owner lives upstairs or downstairs. This goes on all hours of the day or night. Last summer there was a smaller dog next door and the big one would get that one going too. The Police stopped by a couple times last year but naturally the dog wasn't barking on those occasions. I sit outside on my porch a LOT in summer and it just ruins the peace and quiet.

ISSUE TWO: What's up with the "Used Car Business" on the northwest corner of 56th and Burnham? It's a hideous eyesore! I've never seen a transaction take place there, only the comings and goings of two young guys who live upstairs and have loud, junky cars without overnight parking permits. (One was parked in front and didn't get a ticket - although I do every time I innocently park on the wrong side of the street!). I've been asked about the "business" while delivering newsletters.

ISSUE THREE: Someone asked me whom to call when a cat is allowed to run loose on his block. (It's not the CAT'S fault - it's the ignorant owner!)

Shift Commander: [Signature] Crime Prevention Bureau: _____

Action Taken: See attached I/O from Officer Orlovski.



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

Date: July 3, 2006
To: Capt. Padgett
From: Officer Rick Orlowski
Subject: Community meeting complaint Wendy Winkler

Capt. Padgett,

You gave me a community meeting complaint form about a month ago from a Wendy Winkler. I have attempted to contact this party in person on five separate occasions and have been unsuccessful. I also have placed several phone calls to her and have not received a response. Please see the attached phoenix entries regarding these attempts. I know I have tried more than this however dispatch did not enter these calls as follow up.

As for complaint #1 – Barking Dog

I made contact with the dog owner, Donald Zielinski at 1816 S. 57th St. He was informed of the complaint and given a dog ordinance sheet. He was also told he would be receiving citations from this point on if a complaint was made. I have attached the phoenix call to this inter-office report as well.

As for complaint #2 – Used car Business

The business is at 5600 W. Burnham St. The name is Davon's 3 Price car lot, ph. 541-2277 or 803-4588. While the business is an eye sore, I'm not sure this is a police matter but more of a city hall matter. I checked the four vehicles parked on the lot. The VIN's were run and they are not wanted. I made contact with city hall and will forward the complaint to Terry Tauschmann for him to handle from this point on. See the attached inter-office complaint I sent him.

As for Complaint #3 – Cat running at Large

Winkler's complaint seems to be more of a statement rather than an issue. I will inform her to either contact MADAC during the day or the police department if this is an issue.

I received a telephone message from Wendy Winkler the second week of July. I had left her a message informing her of the actions I took to help correct the issues she had complained about. In her message she thanked me for my efforts and was satisfied that the complaints have been handled.

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Ricky J. Orlowski, Jr.



**City of West Allis
Police Department**

Inter-Office Report

Date: July 3, 2006
To: Terry Tauschmann
From: Officer Rick Orlowski
Subject: Citizen complaint about Davon's 3 Price used car lot 5600 W. Burnham St.

Mr. Tauschmann,

I received a block watch meeting complaint form from Wendy Winkler of 1811 S. 56th St., ph. 541-3331. She is concerned about the condition of the business and the four vehicles left on the lot. I checked the VIN's on the vehicles and they are not registered or wanted. They do not move and appear to be abandoned. The following are the VIN's to the cars and vehicle descriptions:

1FTCR11T0HUB92476 1987 FORD TRUCK BLUE
2B7HB21Y5RK550982 1994 DODGE VAN WHITE
1G6EL13B9MU616149 1991 CADILLAC BLUE
1G2NE5537RC700136 1994 PONTIAC BLUE

I have told Winkler that the complaint will be forwarded to city hall to look into the property condition and vehicles left on the lot.

Thanks for any help you can be in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Officer Ricky J. Orlowski, Jr



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

Date: June 8, 2006
To: Capt. Padgett
From: P.O. Christopher Botsch
Subject: Community Complaint

Sir,

On 06-08-06 at about 1900 hrs, you advised me to follow up on a complaint generated from a West Allis Police Department Community Meeting. The complaint is from Michael Pranghofer at 1636 S. 59 Street regarding various issues within his neighborhood (see attached complaint form).

On 06-08-06 at about 2000 hrs, I attempted contact with Pranghofer at his residence; however, nobody was home at that time.

On 06-09-06 at about 2103 hrs, I made contact with Michael W. Pranghofer M/W DOB 03-27-55 at his residence, 1636 S. 59 Street. I introduced myself and advised him that I was following up on a concern that he had submitted in writing in response to a West Allis Police Department Community Meeting. I spoke to Pranghofer for about 1 hour about his concerns.

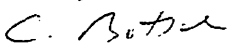
Pranghofer indicated that he is the block watch Captain for his block. He stated that neighbors are concerned with late night parties, loud noise, loud music and garbage in the area. He stated that the problems seem to stem from one house in the area. He indicated the problem house is 1611 S. 59 Street. The specific problem is the juvenile male (Daniel R. Rhoades M/W DOB 12-12-88) who lives there. Rhoades has friends over and they disrupt the neighborhood. Neighbors are afraid to call the police because they do not want Rhoades to know they are complaining.

I advised Pranghofer that I would enter the residence as a "surveillance request" so that extra attention can be given to the problem residence. I also advised him that he should encourage neighbors to call when something disturbing or inappropriate occurs. I advised him that complainants could remain anonymous if that makes them more comfortable calling the police. He stated that he would pass this on to his neighbors.

Pranghofer also voiced his concerns over poor driving in general. He did not have a specific complaint or area that it occurs; however, he stated that people just seem to be more aggressive and are paying less attention to following the rules of the road. I spoke to him about our enforcement efforts including our targeted enforcement grants.

Pranghofer seemed genuinely appreciative with me contacting him. He was happy with the resolutions we developed. I gave him my business card and advised him to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,


P.O. Christopher Botsch



West Allis Police Department Community Meeting

Name: Claudia M. Derringer

Address: 1321 S. 57th St #1

Telephone Number: 414-257-4610 Home: Work: Cell: Best time to call: _____

Time permitting we will try and get to everyone's concerns/problems. If not we will give you a call regarding your concerns.

Instead of addressing your concern/problem this evening would you prefer a call back? Yes No

Please write down your comments or concerns.

- 1) setting up board for skateboarding (also down on 57th + Lapham)
- 2) Drugs being sold (exchange of money - cars not from area)
- 3) Neighbors sitting on porches loud music
- 4) Store - put up signs - "Please respect ^{our} neighbors turn down music and engine off"

Please do not write below this line.

Shift Commander: [Signature]

Crime Prevention Bureau: _____

Action Taken: See attached I/O from Officer Ostrowski



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

Date: July 11, 2006
To: Capt. Padgett
From: Officer Ostrowski
Subject: Community Meeting: Areas of Concern

Sir,

These are the results of my enforcement and activities regarding the Community Policing Meeting with Claudia M. Derringer of 1321 S. 57 St. #1.

Claudia stated several concerns regarding the area around her residence. Claudia mentioned skateboarders in the area of S. 57 St. and W. Lapham St., drug activity, and neighbors sitting on their porches playing loud music.

After receiving Claudia's concerns, I made several attempts to get hold of her in order to talk to her regarding her concerns. I left several phone messages for her at her residence and I left a business card with her boyfriend, Nick E. Ostrander, whom resides at her residence.

While I was in the process of trying to make contact with Claudia, I patrolled the areas around her house looking for the activities she mentioned. I tried to check the area one to two times daily if time permitted. On some occasions I would park my squad car on the South side of Claudia's residence trying to keep my eye out for criminal activity. During my patrol of the area, I did not see any of the above-mentioned activities. There were no skateboarders, no noise problems, and no suspicious incidents regarding drug activity.

On 06/30/06 at approximately 1915 hrs., I spoke with Claudia at her residence. I informed Claudia of my assignment, and the extra patrols I conducted in the area. I advised Claudia of the outcomes. I asked Claudia if there was anything else she would like me to do in reference to her concerns. Claudia stated she would like the continued patrol of the area whenever possible. Claudia stated she has not seen any skateboarders in the area.

I advised Claudia if there are any problems in the area, such as skateboarders, noise complaints, or suspicious activity, she should call the police department.

As of today, when time permits, I patrol the area to make sure none of the above mentioned are taking place.

Respectfully Submitted,

Officer Heather Ostrowski



West Allis Police Department Community Meeting

Name: Judy Schmidt

Address: 2521 S 75 St.

Telephone Number: 545-5685 Home: Work: Cell: Best time to call: after 5:00 p.m.

Time permitting we will try and get to everyone's concerns/problems. If not we will give you a call regarding your concerns.

Instead of addressing your concern/problem this evening would you prefer a call back? Yes No

Please write down your comments or concerns.

^{given to SIR}
[We Think There's Drugs Activity going on
with Teenagers in the neighborhood. Nobody Returns
my calls

Junk Collectors - Stealing from our yards

Sir Greg's Bar - Cars speeding thru the Alley

Please do not write below this line.

Shift Commander: [Signature]

Crime Prevention Bureau: _____

Action Taken: See attached I/O from Officer Koers



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

Date: June 26, 2006
To: Capt. Padgett
From: Officer Koers
Subject: Community Meeting Complaints

Sir, concerning the Community Meeting complaints that I was assigned, have taken the following actions:

On 6/11/06, I stopped and spoke with Mr. And Mrs. SCHMIDT at their residence. I spoke with them at length about the problems they reported and how this department was going to work with them, to get them resolved. I also gave them one of my department issued business cards and advised them to call WAPD if needed. I provided them with my schedule and work hours, as my voice mail still does not work.

I explained to Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt, who are very polite and cooperative, that sometimes in the cases of drug related offenses, the investigations can be lengthy and on- going. In the case of speeders in alleys, because alleys are narrower and shorted than streets, it often appears vehicles are going faster than they really are. I also explained that speeding is aggressively enforced and in the cases of alleys, there are pedestrian safety issues to deal with, as well. As far as junk collectors go, West Allis does have an ordinance against scavenging and that if a license plate and description of the vehicle(s) involved can be safely obtained, this would help in any investigation(s).

- 1.) On the complaint of the drug dealing in the 7500 block of W. Beloit Rd., you advised this was assigned to S.I.U. The detectives up there said they are working the complaint.
- 2.) On the junk collectors going through the alleys in the early morning hours, a Surveillance request was created, especially for the 3rd shift. As far as I know, the area is being checked, but no apprehensions have been made.
- 3.) On the vehicles leaving Sir Gregg's Pub and speeding S/B in the alley, I spoke with the owner of the bar and advised him of the complaint. He was very cooperative and said he would advise his patrons not to abuse the privileges of being able to leave his parking lot in two directions.

I have personally driven through and around this area, each day I am working, regardless of the section I am assigned, to check for any of these complaints. I have not personally observed any drug dealing, speeders in the alleys, or junk collectors in the area.



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

On 06/24/06, I personally stopped and talked with Mr. SCHMIDT. He told me the area has been much quieter, but would still like to see an un marked squad, during the day, as this is when most of the drug activity is occurring. He thanked me and our department for our efforts. I assured Mr. SCHMIDT that just because these meeting notes were being turned back in to the shift supervisor, his neighborhood/ concerns would not be forgotten.

Respectfully Submitted,

P. To P. Koers #144
Officer Koers #144



West Allis Police Department Community Meeting

Name: Dennis or Robin Zdroik

Address: 1805 S. 77th

Telephone Number: (414) 476-7067 Home: Work: Cell: Best time to call: After 5pm

Time permitting we will try and get to everyone's concerns/problems. If not we will give you a call regarding your concerns.

Instead of addressing your concern/problem this evening would you prefer a call back? Yes No

Please write down your comments or concerns.

We have a problem with noisy neighbors who party 24/7 & play loud music. Why, after numerous times of calling aren't they fined or the land lord notified... we've contacted the land lord - she does nothing about it.

Please do not write below this line.

Shift Commander: [Signature]

Crime Prevention Bureau: _____

Action Taken: See I/O by Officer S. Beyer attached



**City of West Allis
Police Department**

Inter-Office Report

Date: July 31, 2006
To: Capt. Padgett
From: Officer Steven Beyer
Subject: 1811 S. 77 St.

Sir:

In June 2006, you requested that I attempt to resolve ongoing problems between the residents of the 1805 S. 77th St., and 1811 S. 77 St. Here is what I did to resolve that problem:

Thursday, 06/08/06: I received information about the complaint from you.

Friday, 06/09/06: In the evening, I met with the complainants (Robin L. Zdroik and Dennis J. Zdroik of 1805 S. 77th St.). The complainants informed me that the residents of 1811 S. 77th St., regularly have loud parties on Saturday and Sunday evenings. They felt that it was reasonable that all loud parties end by 2200 hours. After speaking with the complainants, I met with Kevin R. Nickerson and Michael C. Musgrove of 1811 S. 77th St. They were advised of the complaint and they agreed to end all future loud parties by 2200 hours. They were further advised that they would be subject to a citation for disorderly conduct if they violated that agreement. They indicated that they understood. The other resident of 1811 S. 77th St., was not home.

Thursday, 06/14/06: I met with Larry A. Wells of 1811 S. 77th St. He was advised of the complaint and he agreed to end all future loud parties by 2200 hours. He was further advised that he would be subject to a citation for disorderly conduct if he violated that agreement. He indicated that he understood.

Monday, 06/18/06: I left a voice mail message for Dennis regarding mediating with the residents of 1811 S. 77th St.

Tuesday, 06/19/06: I found that Dennis had not called me back. I subsequently called him. He related that he would talk to his wife about mediation.

Friday, 6/23/06: I found that Dennis had not called me back. I left him a voice mail asking him to call me back.

Sunday, 06/25/06: I found that Dennis had not called me back. I left him another voice mail asking him to call me back.

Monday, 06/26/06: Dennis left me a voice mail message indicating that he wanted to wait until after July 4th to decide if he wanted to participate in mediation.

Saturday, 07/08/06: Dennis left me a voice mail indicating that the people at 1811 S. 77th St., have problems so he did not want to participate in medication. He further indicated that they partied on the 4th of July and had a party a day or two before the 4th.



City of West Allis
Police Department


Inter-Office Report

Saturday, 07/08/06: I spoke with Dennis about a loud party that occurred on 07/02/06. See case# 06-9141 (disorderly conduct) for additional information. Based on the information in case# 06-9141, I decided to arrest Kevin and Michael. On 07-14-06, Kevin was arrested for disorderly conduct. On 07-21-06, Michael was arrested for disorderly conduct. Both parties indicated that they were finished having loud parties because of their arrest. It should be noted that I decided to book both parties since I forwarded information to SIU regarding possible drug activity involving Michael and Kevin. Dennis was later advised of the outcome of the investigation.

As of 07-31-06, I have not heard from Dennis.

If you would like me to conduct additional follow-up regarding this complaint, please let me know.
Thanks.

Sincerely,


Officer Steven Beyer



City of West Allis
Police Department

Inter-Office Report

Date: June 9, 2006
To: Capt. C. Padgett
From: Officer J. Vanderwerff
Subject: Community Meeting

On 06/08/06 I spoke with Rodney Sippel and Len Kopet at Mr. Sippel's residence, located at 2225 S 107 St.. We had a fruitful conversation on the quality of life issues that affect the neighborhood.

Mr. Sippel had concerns with various neighbors that had abandoned autos on their property. The residences were as follows:

- 1) 2226 S. 107 St. (947EUB)
- 2) 2144 S. 108 St. (BGW 414) (BH 88633)

Both addresses, along with DOT information were forwarded to Officer D. Hoffmann for appropriate follow up. I provided Mr. Sippel with a copy of the West Allis Municipal Ordinances for abandoned autos.

Mr. Sippel also had concerns over the enforcement of equipment violations on HWY 100. He stated that the loud mufflers and traffic congestion caused by the cruisers disrupted the tranquility of the neighborhood. I informed Mr. Sippel on the extra patrols on HWY 100 that are currently being funded by government grants. Furthermore, I advised him of the various equipment violations that officers stop traffic violators for on HWY 100. Mr. Sippel stated that he was recently familiar with the patrols and happy to see them implemented.

Mr. Kopet stated that he was concerned about the street traffic in the neighborhood. He stated that he would like to call, but is reluctant to provide his name for fear of neighborhood retaliation. Mr. Kopet stated that he prefers to use the computer to send emails so that squads could spend time watching around the neighborhood. I informed Mr. Kopet that providing information to the police allows for successful prosecution of offenders by the court system. I advised him that retaliation for reporting problems to the police is relatively rare and encouraged him to call so that the police could help resolve the matters affecting the neighborhood.

I concluded the meeting by issuing both parties my business card with the West Allis Police Department phone number listed on the front. Both parties were receptive to the information I provided them and thanked me for taking the time to listen to them.