

WARMAN, MARTENSVILLE, RCMP ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 6, 2017
MARTENSVILLE
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Kent Muench, Mayor Sheryl Spence, Councillor Michael Cox, Councillor Trevor Peterson, City Manager Scott Blevins, City Manager Bob Smith, Staff Sergeant Rob Eyre, and Sergeant Vaugh Allcock

REGRETS: Councillor Bob Blackwell, Sergeant Chris Cisecki

LOCATION: Meeting Room, North Ridge Centennial Community Centre

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Manager, Scott Blevins

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Muench called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Neighbourhood Watch is going well in Martensville, still in the organizational phase. The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from October 4, 2017.

BIKES

90% of the recovered bikes come from Warman. Previously all were placed in the RCMP compound in Martensville which took up quite a bit of room. They are required to be held for 90 days before being disposed of. From now on the Warman bikes will stay in Warman. Each City will decide how to dispose of their own unclaimed bikes.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES BANQUET

RCMP attended both events. Rob stated each event was very well done and the RCMP will continue to participate in future events.

RCMP COVERAGE

The question from Mayor Spence, are our communities covered at all times? Vaughn stated yes (theoretically). If there is a major event elsewhere in the area then the officers allocated to Martensville/Warman will allocate to assist and then the two cities are not covered. There is no break in the coverage and always someone on shift in either Martensville or Warman.

VANDALISM

Mayor Spence raised a concern that vandalism has been increasing in Warman and asked if the RCMP has noticed a trend. Vaughn stated unless they are reported the RCMP has no file generated and do not investigate. Vandalism also means property crimes to the communities. RCMP is encouraging people to report all crimes. However, higher priority crimes will be investigated before vandalism or lesser valued property crimes due to resources. Neighbourhood Watch is collecting information. The RCMP is to educate Neighbourhood Watch on how to document information so the RCMP will find it useful.

The discussion shifted to doing things differently to make an impactful change to benefit both communities. Ideas were expressed on how to fix (more officers, lighting in high vandal areas, community education, Crime Stoppers, etc.). It was decided the RCMP would access their analysts to identify trends in each community to be completed by the next meeting. Once this is done the committee will discuss options and measurable goals.

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RESIDENTS CONTACTING RCMP EFFECTIVELY

Mayor Spence questioned the most effective way the RCMP should be contacted. After hours calls are forwarded to Regina and in most cases the resident calling is not contacted until the next day and some are not contacted at all. RCMP stated that all calls are followed up however they are based on the priority from the Regina dispatcher. The RCMP prefers calls rather than in-person reporting. There needs to be more education for the general public on contacting the RCMP. It was also felt that each complainant deserves a response from the RCMP.

NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting will be held in Warman on Wednesday March 14, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.