

**CASA GRANDE POLICE ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
510 E. FLORENCE BLVD. - CASA GRANDE, AZ 85122**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2013**

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Raymond Zak called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL:**

The following members were present:

Raymond Zak, Chairman  
Ed Barbour, Vice-Chairman  
Mikel McBride, Board Member  
Roger Vanderpool, Board Member

The following members **not** present:

Rodolfo Calvillo, Board Member  
Johnjaline Cully, Board Member

**C. MINUTES:**

Chairman Ray Zak asked for a motion approving the meeting minutes of October 10, 2013. Vice-Chairman Ed Barbour motioned for acceptance of the minutes, seconded by board member Mikel McBride.

**D. PRESENTATIONS:**

**D.1 Door-to-Door Proactive Strategy – Chief Johnny Cervantes**

Chief Cervantes gave an overview of the community pro-active patrol squad to the board. He informed the board of the strategies they have been doing that have been very effective by going door-to-door making contact with the citizens with the neighborhood, and letting officers know of their issues and problems. Chief Cervantes advised that they formed a group of officers based on their ability to find criminals, and have demonstrated that they have that ability, but in addition to that are able to communicate very well with the community. He also added that this is not a full time unit or new squad, simply based on their ability to do those two things mentioned above. He also added that they have identified some juveniles, and are trying to see what kind of ways to lead them in a more positive way. Sgt. Engstrom and Officer Bloomer gave a recap of advantages of going door-to-door.

Board member Roger Vanderpool added that the Salvation Army has several programs that would help the police department or partnering with them. Chief Cervantes stated that he would look into that. He also stated that he has met with Judge O'Neil and they have talked

about the diversion program that the City has. They are trying to figure out a way so Judge O'Neil can mandate that diversion program in lieu of putting them in jail, or give them a fine by doing community service. They are still working out the details and exploring how they can close that gap. Chief Cervantes added that they will arrest if they need to obviously, but also to provide that mentorship and the opportunity to save some of these juveniles from continuing that path. Chief Cervantes and board members commended the sergeant and officers for a job well done.

**E. NEW BUSINESS:**

E.1 Presentation & Discussion regarding Tinted Windows & Mufflers

Mr. Karl Stanton of Casa Grande had contacted Chairman Ray Zak requested to be placed on the agenda to address some concerns about loud mufflers and tinted windows.

Mr. Stanton also welcomed Chief Cervantes. Another concern he expressed to the board was when the Phoenix Mart comes to City, that, that 6 officers and 1 supervisor is not enough to cover calls; and the City of Casa Grande has not implemented for more officers that he was aware of. Mr. Stanton also asked how do they get new officers to expand the force. Chief Cervantes thanked Mr. Stanton for his support. Board member Roger Vanderpool and Vice-Chairman Ed Barbour recommended he could make a presentation to the City Council.

**F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**G. REPORTS BY OFFICERS:**

None

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately at 7:53 p.m.

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of , January, 2014 by the Casa Grande Police Advisory Board.

*Ed Barbour*

/s/Ed Barbour, Vice-Chairman

**January 16, 2014**

Date