

COMMUNITY SAFETY MEETING
September 18, 2015
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The meeting came to order at 7 p.m. In attendance were Town residents, Neighborhood Watch Resident Coordinators Bob Lyford and Bridget Hartman, Town Council Member and Council Liaison Kathy Strom, Town Staff and Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Chris Quintyne and Montgomery County Police Department 2nd District Community Services Officer Dana Stroman.

I. Introductions

Bob Lyford welcomed the Town residents. He then introduced Officer Dana Stroman.

II. Crime Activity and Response

Officer Stroman reported that the residential crime in this area was infrequent and almost limited exclusively to thefts from automobiles. The majority of these thefts happened to unlocked vehicles. She stressed the importance of locking vehicles and being aware of where your car keys are located if you have a FOB key. Officer Stroman also encouraged residents to have lighting around their homes for security purposes and to allow Officers to be able to read their house address numbers. In addition, Officer Stroman mentioned that residents can ask MCPD for a home security survey as a helpful way to learn more about crime prevention.

III. General Safety Tips

Officer Stroman stressed the importance of being aware of your surroundings now that the seasons are changing and it is starting to get darker earlier in the evening. She suggested that residents walk in well populated areas. Officer Stroman also encouraged residents to visit the Montgomery County Police webpage for additional information about public safety. General safety tips can also be accessed on the Town website on the Public Safety page.

IV. Neighborhood Watch Program

Kathy Strom encouraged Town residents to sign up to be Block Captains and to contact the Town Office for more information. Officer Stroman held a question and answer session with Town residents.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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