



4th Precinct MPACT Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2016 - 6:00PM

Linwood Holton Elementary

Call to Order

Chris Clark, MPACT Coordinator

Presentation(s)

Richmond Police Department: Lieutenant Keyshawn Manns, Sector 412 Lieutenant & Lieutenant John Beazley, Sector 411 Lieutenant

- Lieutenant Beazley introduced himself as the new Sector 411 Lieutenant, which covers Gilpin, Southern Barton Heights, Highland Park, Providence Park, Highland Terrace, Green Park, Magnolia and Chamberlayne Industrial Center. Lieutenant Manns, informed the attendees that there has been an increase in aggravated assault crime. There has been a decrease in motor vehicle theft. Lieutenant Manns stated that his staff has done a variety of educational opportunities within the sector 412 communities to prevent the likelihood of motor vehicle theft.

Department of Public Utilities Pretreatment Division: Sara Henrikson, Environmental Technician

- The Department of Public Utilities Pretreatment handles both wastewater and storm water. The pretreatment division goal duties are to protect the sanitary collection system, the wastewater treatment plant, municipal storm systems, and local waterways. The division is responsible for the following areas:
 - Issuing industrial pretreatment wastewater discharge permits and facility inspections.
 - Inspecting septic hurlers and receiving stations that bring waste to the water plant

- Manage the Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) Program
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

The industrial pretreatment discharge permits are valid for 5 years, when issued to Significant Industrial Users. In order for an industry to be identified as a Significant Industrial User, they must meet the following criteria:

1. Industries that are subject to categorical for pretreatment standards.
2. Industries that discharge an average of 25,000 gallons a day or more of processed wastewater e
3. Industries that have a reasonable potential to adversely impact the collection system or the treatment plant operations.

The pretreatment division also issues temporary discharge permits, which allows processed wastewater from construction sites or maintenance projects to be discharged directly into the sanitary sewer for a period of 6 months. The Strong Waste Surcharge program is a wastewater treatment cost recovery program in which the Department of Public Utilities measures facilities wastewater parameters by checking the following:

1. Biochemical Oxygen Demand- the measure of the amount of dissolved oxygen needed by aerobic biological organisms to breakdown material present in a given water sample. If you have too much Biochemical Oxygen Demand, it can cause too much dissolved oxygen to be removed from the water, which can result killing the bacteria at the water plant and suffocate aquatic life in the James River.
2. Total Suspended Solids- assess the quality of wastewater after treatment in a wastewater treatment plant.
3. Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus- these limiting nutrients that can disrupt biological productivity in waterbodies if it's available at incorrect volumes.

The Fats, Oils, & Grease Program is designed to prevent dry weather sewer overflows. The Pretreatment Team performs wastewater monitoring at restaurants and performs inspections to make sure the restaurant has FOG management programs in place.

Richmond Police Department Neighborhood Watch Program: Officer Paul Lewis

- Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention educational program in which the Police department educates residents on how to protect themselves in their homes, neighborhood, and as they travel. Neighborhood Watch groups are the extra eyes and ears that help protect the neighborhood from crime. The Neighborhood Watch can consist of a block, multiple blocks, apartment complex, public housing, or a business area. Officer Lewis informed the residents that anyone can join a Neighborhood Watch.. To start a Neighborhood Watch in your community, each civic association will speak with their members and as a group they will decide if they want to form a Neighborhood Watch. Upon agreement, the civic association should contact the Richmond Police Department and invite an officer to the civic association meeting. Officer Lewis stated the civic association should elect block captains, who should be responsible for no more than 10 houses per block. Officer Lewis stated that each civic association that forms a Neighborhood Watch is required to hold three meetings a year.

After the third meeting, the neighborhood is able to apply for Neighborhood Watch signs.

Discussion Items

- A citizen asked Ms. Henrikson are there particular places that she tests when conducting Strong Waste Surcharge.
 - Ms. Henrikson stated that she usually tests near restaurants.
- A citizen asked Ms. Henrikson if she notifies the restaurant when she's conducting tests.
 - Ms. Henrikson stated that she just shows up and tests the sewer lines. If the wastewater parameters are above the normal limits, then the restaurant will receive a surge charge on their monthly statement.
- A citizen asked how they should report a clogged storm drain.
 - Citizens should call 311 to report a clogged storm drain.

Public Comment Period

- No concerns were raised.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45PM

**Next Meeting: Thursday, April, 21 2016, 6:00PM, Linwood Holton Elementary library,
1600 West Laburnum Avenue**

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