

**DeBary Public Safety Advisory Committee**  
**Tuesday, March 16, 2010**  
**6:30 PM**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**  
**16 Colomba Road**

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Ann Batson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

**Members Present:** Gene Leighton, Chair Ann Batson, Vice Chair Ryan Rinaldo, Louis Morales and Marlee Grein (alternate member)

**Members Absent:** Robert Christian

**Others Present:** Safety Coordinator Alan Williamson and Captain Alan Osowski

**III. Approval of Minutes**

- Regular Meeting held January 19, 2010

Mr. Leighton moved to approve the minutes, and Mr. Morales seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Old Business**

- Update on Volusia Community Traffic Safety Team

Mr. Williamson stated that the main topic of conversation at the meeting was House Bill 41, which addresses texting while driving. He noted that if passed, it would not be a primary offense, and the officer would have to pull the driver over for another infraction. He added that once the bill passes, the Sheriff's Department would enforce it.

Chair Batson said she believes texting should be outlawed entirely in moving vehicles. She said that more people need to notify their State representatives to voice their opinions regarding the proposed law.

Ms. Grein asked if the City could post information on its website telling the citizens to call their State representatives to have something done. Mr. Williamson said the Committee could recommend to the Council their desire for more stern laws.

**V. New Business**

- Review of CERT Drill

Mr. Williamson stated that the CERT drill went very well; that they had fifteen volunteer victims and eight to ten CERT members; that the purpose was to work on triage; that they identified various strengths and weaknesses; that some members had a problem carrying patients and were not sure how to move them; and that it was an overall success. He showed pictures taken during

the drill to the Committee. He also noted that they recently added a new CERT instructor that has a lot of medical experience.

- **Summer Schedule / Quarterly Meetings**

There was discussion regarding the schedule and possibly meeting less frequently. Mr. Leighton made a motion to suspend meetings in April and May and to schedule the next meeting in June. Mr. Morales seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Williamson informed everyone that April 24<sup>th</sup> would be DeBary Clean Up from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for DeBary residents only. He said they would accept various items including hazardous materials, tires, appliances, etc. He noted there would be four thirty-yard rollofs.

Mr. Williamson said that the next neighborhood watch presentation would address gang awareness; that it was scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.; that due to the content, no children would be permitted; and that the Volusia County Sheriff's Department would make the presentation.

Captain Osowski briefed the Committee on calls for service.

There was discussion regarding speed enforcement on Highbanks Road.

Chair Batson talked about a Facebook scam with Captain Osowski. He discussed some specific tips for avoiding becoming a victim of a scam.

## **VI. Public Participation**

None.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Ms. Grein moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Leighton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

**APPROVED June 15, 2010  
CITY OF DeBARY  
Public Safety Advisory Committee**

**Ann Batson, Chair**