Minutes for May 28, 2019 17th Precinct Community Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Matt Roberts, president of the community council.

Nominating Committee

Community member John Macenka read a list of those individuals who are running for the seats of president and vice president of the community council.

Upcoming Events

Vice President Dougherty announced that, provided there is sufficient interest, the council will be sponsoring an outing to a Yankee game this summer. Community members will be asked to contribute \$20 to the \$60 ticket price.

Cop of the Month

P.O. Andrew Webber received the Cop of the Month award for his arrest, following a foot chase, of an individual who had been driving a stolen car with paper license plates.

Command Update

Captain Wynne reported that for the past 28-day period, the precinct was down 25 percent in the major index crimes; only felony assault showed an increase. The captain also discussed the addition of body cameras in the precinct this year. Body cameras can have several benefits, which include providing corroborating evidence and facilitating quicker resolution of complaints.

Crime Prevention

Officer Dennis Wyss played a short crime prevention film, then addressed community member concerns about scam phone calls and identity theft.

New Executive Officer

Captain Richard Porto announced that his team did a bicycle operation as well as a speed initiative over the past month, both of which were successful. He went on to answer questions about recent traffic issues.

NCO Updates

In the past month, Sector Adam NCOs have been patrolling areas around bars at night, in response to community member complaints; Sector Boy NCOs have been addressing homeless concerns and assisting the detective squad on larceny investigations at neighborhood Duane Reades; Sector Carlie NCOs have been working on reducing noise complaints involving bars and private parties.

Q&A

President Roberts and Captain Wynne conducted a question-and-answer period, primarily about the homeless, congestion pricing, and bicycle issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.