

**St. Joseph Township Neighborhood Watch
Board Meeting Minutes
05-21-2009**

Present: Rick Knapp, Frank O'Brien, Bob Umbenhaur, Mildred Hart, Ron Drews Dave Vereb, Sam Guardino & Kelly Clark. Residents Otto Dettman, Minnie Weber, Helena Kepp, also attended.

I. Minute Revision

A. Approved minutes from 04-2009.

II. Treasurer's Report

A. \$2,000.34 Checkbook balance as of 5-20-09

III. Police Report

- A. A garage break-in was reported on Miller. Keep those doors and windows locked!
- B. An engagement ring was reported missing at Eaton Park on Maiden Lane. If it is found, please call Geoff Parrett at 208-8593.
- C. KFC reported a suspicious person around the cars at closing. There have been car B&E's in St. Joseph, north of Hilltop. Call police if you see any suspicious activity!
- D. Traffic problems reported throughout the township, especially speeders on Lakeshore Drive and folks running the stop signs at Woodward and May.

IV. Old Business

- A. The fundraiser at Martin's Supermarket does not yet have a date. We anticipate sometime around July 11th or 25th.
- B. Our website is up and running! Find us at www.SJCT.org and click on the Neighborhood Watch link! There is a lot of good information to see.
- C. There are about 25 bikes that may be donated to us by the police department for a bike sale this year. More information will be upcoming regarding this.
- D. Last meeting, Ron Drews mentioned an electronic translator that he had read about in the paper. The Berrien County Sheriff's Department has one for their officers. Lieutenant Leng of St. Joseph Township Police Department is talking to the County to see how much the equipment actually helps the officers, and if there may be some grants available for this equipment.

V. New Business

- A. A motion was made and approved that we donate \$200 for the Lest We Forget program.
- B. A motion was made and approved that we purchase prizes for our annual picnic on June 28, 2009. We approved \$200 for prizes. Officer Knapp mentioned that maintenance is being done on the pavilion.
- C. Hanson International has donated \$150 to us for our programs. **We appreciate our local businesses!**
- D. National Night Out will be held August 04, 2009 at Riverview Park from 5-8 p.m. at the Briarwood Pavilion.

Next Board meeting 06-18-2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station in Fairplain

Call the Neighborhood Watch Telephone Information Line at 429-6890 ext. 277

after 5:00 p.m. to hear the latest updates. Share this number with your neighbors!

Visit with us online at http://www.sjct.org/neighborhood_watch.htm