## GERMANTOWN PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION COMMISSION September 1, 2010 minutes

The September 1, 2010 meeting of the Germantown Public Safety Education Commission was called to order by Lillie Kay Mitchell, Chairperson, at 5:30 pm in the conference room at Germantown fire Department, Fire Station 1.

Members who signed in were: Lillie Kay Mitchell, Ron Roberson, Charles Baker, Susan Kingston, Jonathan Smith, Fire Marshall Jody Dwyer, Lt. Angie Lewis, Susan Hirsch, John Arth, Jerry Ferguson, Mark Billingsley, Nikki Gast, Dot Stagich, and Suzanne Jackson.

The August minutes were approved.

## **REPORTS:**

- Speakers Bureau Report Susan Hirsch submitted our PSEC Speakers Bureau offerings to Dot Stagich, who will arrange to have them posted on the Germantown website. The titles of the sessions and short descriptions will appear on the website. The Addendum to these minutes includes the name of the presenter and their contact information, for the Commission's use.
- Police Report Angie Lewis reported that everything is in place for the Germantown Festival, the Child Safety Seat Check and the Drug Take-Back project.
  - o Susan moved to authorize Angie to contract Ollie the Otter materials. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Fire Jody Dwyer discussed lessons learned from a recent fire, and a new fire repellent being tested.
- Web Information No report.
- BMA Mark Billingsley reported on past and future meetings of interest to Germantown residents.
- Traffic Engineer Jonathan Smith gave an overview of the video detection project, LED light
  replacements and sidewalk projects. A city wide bicycle plan is being discussed. We have been
  approached to support a proposed motorcycle safety campaign (Look Twice Save a Life).
  There will be a presentation at our October meeting. He also mentioned the multistate
  earthquake preparedness drill being planned on the bicentennial anniversary of the New Madrid
  earthquake.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

• Fall Child Safety Seat Check – October 2. All plans are complete. Susan Hirsch moved to purchase five more traffic directional signs for this event. The motion was seconded and carried.

• Adult Bicycle Safety – Mark Billingsley continues his efforts to organize public meeting to educate cyclists and motorists.

Commissioners were reminded that details of their reports will appear in the addendum to the minutes if they send them to Susan Hirsch within a week of the meeting.

Lillie Kay reminded us that this is National Preparedness Month.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone was offered a tour of the Fire Station.

Susan Hirsch Recording Secretary

## **Speakers Bureau Topics and Contact Information**

**Operation Lifesaver** - A public education program to end collisions, deaths and injuries at places where roadways cross train tracks, and on railroad rights-ofway.

Chuck Baker cpbaker@gmail.com 901-213-7448

**Identity Theft and Fraud Prevention** - Anti-fraud training and education. Presentations would be tailored for a specific group (Business, Senior Citizens, etc)

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**Personal Protection** - This would cover aspects of protecting oneself against different types of crime. I would also discuss how not only to protect yourself against criminals, but to also know what you can/can't do to protect yourself. This includes criminal and civil issues.

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**Interviewing and Background Checks** - This would include interviewing techniques for prospective employees, caregivers, babysitters, etc. How to check criminal/civil backgrounds. And how to determine if someone is being deceptive in their answers.

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**Illegal Drug Detection and Identification** - This topic would include how to spot drug use and how to identify illegal narcotics. This could be used by parents, teachers, employers, etc.

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**Home Security** - Making your home unattractive to burglars; basics of home alarm and video systems

Jonathan Frase Jonathan@FraseProtection.com

Cell: 901-331-1446

**Help Is On the Way ...But -** is a general presentation about being ready for disasters.

Ron Roberson
Office phone: 754-1668
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**Emergency Assistance for Veterans** – An overview of assistance from various Veterans Service Organizations that might be available to men and women who have been honorably discharged from the United States military, and how to apply for that assistance.

Ron Roberson

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**Identity Theft** – It is estimated that 1 out of 20 Americans will be victimized by identity theft this year. Learn how you can take steps to protect yourself and your family from this pervasive crime.

Capt. Marc A. Molina mmolina@germantown-tn.gov Office number: (901) 757-7327

**Personal Safety** – The holidays, an evening on the town, a quick trip to the store, everyday errands or spending time at home; one's personal safety is an ever present concern. This presentation shows how you can be vigilant against being a victim of crime.

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**Senior Scams** – Life's Golden Years should be filled with enjoying life, making memories and spending quality time with family and friends. Learn about the ways you and your loved ones can protect yourselves from being targets of ruthless scammers who target this time of a person's life.

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**Safely Using the Internet -** Safely using the internet means more than knowing which sites to avoid. Listen for news that you can use at work and at home.

Dot Stagich dstagich@bellsouth.net 901-754-0910

**Safety City** - Safety City is a safety education program for five and six year old children. The presentation discusses the activities at Safety City, how and when to enroll children, and how to volunteer to work at Safety City.

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Cell: 581-7979

**Get Involved in Your Community -** Our community needs adults and teens who are interested in becoming involved in the community to do volunteer work in Germantown. Examples included are: Safety City week; assisting with Child Car Safety Seat Checks (Saturdays); and CERT class.

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**Fire Safety in the Home / Home Safety, Myth versus Truth** How to protect your home from common fire hazards. (DVD/TV use is optional)

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**CPR Training** – Learn how to protect your family and learn life-saving techniques to provide immediate care.

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