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Public Safety Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 15, 2017
7:00 p.m.
49th Pct. – 2121 Eastchester Rd

Minutes

Present: Martin Morris, Veronica Castro, Dominick Schiano, Yahey Obeid, Members

Guests: Lt. Kishon Hickman, Det. Jay Sturdivant, PO Lepore

1. Old Business
 - a. No old business was discussed as tour of Pct
2. New Business
 - a. Conducted a tour of the 49th Pct
 - b. Met with Captain Thomas J. Alps. His background is NYPD intelligence. When there are arrests, NYPD intelligence try to see what they know about crimes, weapons, top 10 wanted suspects. Things of that nature. Debriefings.
 - c. Tow Trucks are being seized by NYPD. There has been problems with tow truck drivers taking advantage of people who have their car towed. For example, some by law are required to only charge \$75 but are taking advantage of people charging, for instance \$200.
 1. The 49th Pct has been proactive with this issue both seizing tow trucks and putting them on twitter to get the message out.
 - ii. Shot spotter technology in our area. 70% of gunshots go unreported. What the shot spotter technology does is both record the sound and triangulate its location. The recorded sound along with location is then sent to officers cell phones on their tour.
 - iii. Each officer now has access on their cells to realtime crime statistics from last 28 day that is constantly updated. An officer can now search a location on his cell and see every crime committed in area for past 28 days.
 - iv. 911 jobs now go out over both cell and radio dispatch. In many cases, officer cell phones will now ping before the job comes thru on the radio.

- v. Detective squad search all 61's for patterns. Trying to see common links between cases. There is also a computer program that searches based on offence factors to find suspects out repeatedly committing a type of crime.
 - vi. More domestic violence cases are being prosecuted by the Bronx County DA's Office.
 - vii. New rules for recording instances of force used in arrests. Not just force used on civilians but there is a database of individual that use force on officers.
 - viii. Explorers Program for young school children. Like scouts but geared toward police tactics, drills and criminal justice issues. Saw kids being drilled on level of crimes under New York law. This is an afterschool program available for children in our area to have a safe environment. There is even a big Christmas party for children every year.
3. Adjournment at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Martin Morris.