


AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commissioners
FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager
DATE: January 27, 2010
RE: *Communications 

For the Agenda February 1, 2010

***Note: This is a Consent Agenda item and is considered as routine by the City Commission. As such, this matter shall be automatically enacted by one motion with all other Consent Agenda items unless a Commissioner or citizen requests this item be individually discussed, in which event it shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered and acted upon in its designated sequence on the approved Clare City Commission agenda of February 1, 2010.**

The following major items of correspondence were either received by or transmitted by the City since the last regularly scheduled City Commission meeting:

Neighborhood Watch Update. Mr. Bob Andreotti, the City's Volunteer Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, provided the attached report regarding a Neighborhood Watch meeting held at the Gateway High-Rise Apartment Complex.

Letter of Thanks. The attached letter of appreciation was forwarded to Mr. Kent Randall.

Attachments. As noted above.

Neighborhood Watch Training
Gateway High-rise
Tuesday January 19, 2010

There were **27 residents** from Gateway in attendance tonight. The Police Chief, a Sgt. And NW Coordinator there.

Sgt Saad started his introductions, and then right into talking about what Neighborhood Watch is, and what it can do for you. The program started in the early 70's by the Sheriff's Association. He went on to let them know what a person needs to do to keep their surroundings safe, their apartment safe. There were a lot of good questions this evening. The resident's were very tuned into what was being stated, and is willing to assist in anyway they can.

One resident mentioned that there were people going around the parking lot and stealing gas from people cars. Someone mentioned that one if not more of the doors on the first floor are being unlocked or left open so people that don't live there can get into the complex. This was observed tonight as the meeting was going on. Also residents were stating that there is a need of more Handicapped parking spaces out in the parking lot.

There were plenty of hand-out that every resident took to read at their leisure, which will give them a better understanding of what happens around a complex, a neighborhood or block. The outside sign will be placed on a post in front of Gateway building in the Spring by the City of Clare.

The chief got up and mentioned that there could be Floor Captains on each of the floors at Gateway. This will be further discussed with the people of Gateway. The big thing is that people there wanted to get involved in Neighborhood Watch activities.

Talked to Rose the next day and people were very excited about the meeting and they wanted to know when there was going to be another meeting. There will be a pot-luck dinner on February 18, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. and that is where I will be giving out the Certificates of Accomplishment to everyone in attendance the evening of January 19, 2010. I will also be attending the complex monthly meeting that will be held on February 4, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. (The floor Captains concept will be brought up at their monthly meeting.)

I will take flyers over to them to fold for me, some of the residents will think they are doing a good deed for the NW program.

Submitted by,

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Coordinator Neighborhood Watch



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Dear Kent,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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I offer this letter to express my personal thanks and the appreciation of the City for the tremendously important role you played in initiating the process to reduce the Clare Fire Department's ISO Rating from a 6 to a rating of 4. Without your foresight, leadership, and hard work, it is unlikely we would have attained this tremendous distinction.

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Thank you.

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Best Wishes,

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