

	<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Madison Park Homeowners' Association Meeting</b>
	<b>Date:</b>	<b>April 11th 2016</b>
	<b>Time:</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Pinewood Elementary Media Center</b>
	<b>President: Kay Tawney</b>	<b>Attendance:</b>
	<b>Presenters:</b>	<b>45 attendees 1 CMPD officer</b>

### **Welcome**

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM and President Kay Tawney welcomed all in attendance.

### **Recognition of Visitors**

First time attendees from the following streets were recognized: Wedgewood, Farmbrook, Lamont, Cooper Dr

All were welcomed after their introductions.

### **Membership Reminder**

Dues are \$20 / year / household and cover January – December. Our membership dues pay for our expenses such as events, PO Box, postage, supplies, and rentals. Each resident is encouraged to pay in person or on-line via pay-pal from our webpage: <http://www.madisonparkcharlotte.org/membership/>. Please help improve the quality of life in Madison Park by paying your dues and encouraging your neighbors to pay theirs.

### **Sponsor Acknowledgement**

**Best Friend (\$2000): N/A**

**Community Leader (\$1000): Auto Bell & Beth Smith Shuey**

**Good Neighbor (\$500): Angel Insurance Agency (Nationwide) and Built Restoration**

### **Student Assignment**

- Asking for operational dollars in May
- Superintendent Search. Interviewing search firms to assist in the process.
- There are two info pieces at the back. (Process and Goals)
- They are in the policy stage. Hoping to make big progress in the policy stage. Parents want a REALLY good school close to home. They are not going to use 1970 - 2001 busing methods to get good results. Relying heavily on magnet school expansion, building on success schools and tap in parental desires.
- Questions:
  - Are there other options for the funding that you are looking at? Can you come back in May in 2017? Bond should have been completed in 3 years' time but they completed it in 7 years' time. They put forth the request now so that it goes on the 2017 ballot.
  - Talk to the school boundary zone Specifically Madison Park and what it feeds? (Neighborhood is transitioning. Parents are concerned for the middle school and high school feeds.
    - Entirely the right thing to reassign to Myers Park and Montclair (in his opinion). They haven't really discussed it. Madison Park is not the only neighborhood that is not

assigned right. The key part is the feeder pattern and it will be a part in the comprehensive review. Boundaries are a two edges sword.

If you have more questions please email or call Eric.

## Code Enforcement

- If you think someone is running a business out of a house, call 311
- Property that is rundown, call 311
- Yard waste needs to be put out at the appropriate time. (the day before your pickup)
- Be aware of the code enforcements so that you are not fined.
- Bulk items, you have to schedule a bulk pick up
- A house has to be up to minimum code in Charlotte
- How long can you keep a blue tarp over your house? 60 days to fix something. If not fixed, then they'll get fines on top of fines. No normal amount of time if someone doesn't have the money to fix.

## Community Reports

### Madison Park 03/14/2016 – 04/11/2016

### Summary

Incident Type	Frequency
Residential Burglary	5
Total	5

### Listing

Complaint No	Date	Street Block	Incident Type
20160315-1737-00	15-MAR-2016	1300 E WOODLAWN RD	Residential Burglary
20160325-1316-02	25-MAR-2016	5300 GLENHAM DR	Residential Burglary
20160330-1851-00	30-MAR-2016	5600 MURRAYHILL RD	Residential Burglary
20160403-1535-02	03-APR-2016	5300 MURRAYHILL RD	Residential Burglary
20160404-1818-02	04-APR-2016	200 COOPER DR	Residential Burglary

**Safety Tips and Crime Discussion:**

1. Helicopter has been asked to do a zone check. We have officers on bikes, and also if officers are not on a call they have been asked to patrol the area.
2. If you see something...SAY SOMETHING.
3. Profiling: if you believe in your heart that person is suspicious...then call. Police do not care what color they are.
4. What is Suspicious Activity: People walking up and down the street looking towards houses, acting different, just doesn't belong, Backpacks and on foot, hoodie and gloves, etc.
5. Call 911 not 311. Calls are triaged. Call...don't wait. When you call 311, that call goes to 911 which is not fast enough. Then call your neighbors if you see something as well.
6. We have to work together as a neighborhood.
7. It's ok to say "I think the person is casing this house, I think this car/person does not live here but is acting suspicious"
8. This is a transitioning neighborhood so there is a lot going on.
9. Text your neighbors, communicate neighbors when if you are leaving.
10. Where do the cops canvas? They canvas Madison Park when they are not on a call or working a response area. It's 1 or 2 officers. Officers are trying to "minority report" it to figure out where the next one might happen.
11. If you are going out of town, you can contact Officer Mohammed and he or someone will check on your house.
12. Thieves who rob on foot vs car:
  - a. On foot - backpacks, hoodie, gloves...they'll take the small stuff.
  - b. In a Car - thieves will rent vans and circle back and just circle around. Most likely a crew and they'll take the big stuff. Stuff they can't carry and need a car/van. Look for suspicious cars and vans parked on streets.
13. Don't follow the suspicious persons. Just call 911
14. Buy a safe and put all firearms in that safe and lock it.
15. Homework: Bring someone with you to the next HOA meeting who has never been to one of these meetings.
16. If you can afford a security system. Also turn your lights on at night if you are gone.
17. Close your blinds, turn on radios and TVs. It's called "Target Hardening"...make it hard for them to figure out if you are home or not!
18. If you see panhandling on the median, call 911. It's illegal.
19. Please watch your comments on Facebook and on NextDoor. Comments hurt people.
20. Don't post your vacation plans on social media!! Don't check-in on Yelp, or on Facebook letting people know where you are.
21. If you have teenagers that are going to be home, just make sure they are aware of the issues and know where they are as a precaution
22. Lock your wifi password! No free internet

Dennis Whittington from Code Enforcement ([dwhittington@ci.charlotte.nc.us.gov](mailto:dwhittington@ci.charlotte.nc.us.gov))

Shabeer Mohamad from CMPD is our Community Coordinator

**Please contact SHABEER at [smohammad@cmpd.org](mailto:smohammad@cmpd.org) with any questions.**

**HOA Meeting Date: April 11, 2016**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**For March 14, 2016 through April 11, 2016, we had the following activity:**

<b>Starting Balance</b>	<b>\$7267.45</b>	
<b>Deposit</b>	<b>\$140.54</b>	<b>Membership Dues</b>
<b>Payment</b>	<b>\$(47.00)</b>	<b>Public Storage</b>
<b>Payment</b>	<b>\$(41.76)</b>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$7319.23</b>	

**Traffic Calming Funds** in the amount of \$1,253.80 continue to be held by CDOT. The funds are earmarked for vinyl replacements on our signs in the future.

**Announcements**

- Madison Park Runner's Group is meeting on Tuesday nights @ 6:30 in the Pinewood school parking lot. They run 3-ish miles. Newcomers welcome
- Madison Park Book Group: April 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30, Sir Edmund Halley's  
The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins Info contact Gay Hurst at [gay.hurst@gmail.com](mailto:gay.hurst@gmail.com)
- The Madison Park Book Club is reading The Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline. They will meet March 22 at 6:30 pm at Sir Edmund Halley's, Park Shopping Center. For more info, contact Gay Hurst at [gay.hurst@gmail.com](mailto:gay.hurst@gmail.com)
- The Second Friday Social will be at ... on Friday the May 13 at Olde Mecklenberg Brewery starting at 5:30 pm.
- Please pay your Madison Park Homeowners Membership dues. You can do it online at [madisonParkCharlotte.org](http://madisonParkCharlotte.org)

**Other Topics/Discussions**

Kickball game update: It was the parents vs the kids. Parents WON! By 1 run. Will try to do this event again in the coming months.

Family fun run/bike ride. If you are interested, contact officer shabeer.

Neighbor asks if the neighborhood crime watch and is this something that we can do. {Officer asks what does crime Watch do?} It gets people out, puts feet on the ground and it lets people know that we are watching. HOA meetings are helpful, come out to the crime watch. It is on US and a neighborhood. We can do by street by street. It's a block or two blocks that get together that put it together. When times

are good, no one wants to do anything. When things get bad, then everyone comes out and wants to say something.

What is happening in Montclair, Starmount, and other neighborhoods? They are all having the same issues but they are not as big of a hood as we are.

Neighbors are concerned that it will escalate to something further than a TV being stolen. Please just call 911.