



Olds Rural Crime Watch Association

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MINUTES - MEETING – Wednesday September 30, 2015 7:30 p.m. MVC Council Chambers

PRESENT: Kevin Heppler, Dianne Alberda, Adam Mirus, Val Dennis, Cst. D. Bouwmester (Didsbury), Wally Gunderson, Alissa Firmston, Dave Sharek, : Fred & Bonnie Bay, James Stumpf, Arnold Lachman, Mary Hildebrandt, Kathy Banick, Glenn Bishell

Call to Order - , Gerald Ingeveld

1. Adoption / Changes to the Agenda. MOTION TO APPROVE – Arnold CARRIED.
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (July 29, 2015) MOTION: Kathy CARRIED.
3. Business Arising from Previous Meetings
 - 3.1 We still need volunteers for Zone / Range Representatives. Judy will contact potential volunteers and will follow up more at next meeting.
 - 3.2 **Kevin** – If we can CHECK OUT:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OVnRcIXEqaU>
Good video on dangers of texting. Lots on U-tube. Why aren't people getting message?
 - 3.3 Quick facts about reporting a missing adult in Canada
 - 3.4 Privacy Laws Interpretation - Alissa Lloyd. Under the law there is no expectancy of privacy in any public place. Pictures of potential criminals can be circulated but should be vetted with local RCMP first so as not to compromise any case they are working on.
4. REPORTS:
 - 5.1 Fish & Wildlife (Adam Mirus) Busy year with random poaching. Sheep & elk carcasses left – under investigation. Target shooters using tannerite which when shot at with a high power rifle sets off an explosion. Also a fire hazard.
 - 5.2 RCMP-Olds (Cst. Lyle Korver) N/A
 - 5.3 RCMP -Sundre (Cst. Val Dennis) Fuel thefts – especially in Eagle Hill area. Don't approach – Report immediately to RCMP! Keep equipment close to yards. Strong supporter of trail cams. Some cases solved with photos capturing thieves. Was a group of individuals going into unlocked vehicles for coin, wallets, keys, credit cards. One card was used in Red Deer within 4 hours of the theft.
 - 5.4 RCMP – Didsbury (Cst. D. Bouwmester) Citizens on Patrol did a check of vehicles in parking lots and left information slip indicating things like – unlocked; wallet-purse-packages visible. West of H22 joyriders damaged heavy equipment – dozer/grader. These units have universal keys. Detachment has received good response with reports of suspect vehicles. Cochrane arrested 2 people with stolen property; Didsbury cleared a

number of files from thefts in the area. Mostly jewelry thefts lately. 1-2 B & E's per day happening. These are to feed a \$600/day drug addiction habit. Been 147 deaths from fentanyl.

- 5.5 Mountain View County (Kevin Heppler / Al Kemmere). Some vandalism on MVC signs and equipment.
- 5.6 SECRETARY'S REPORT: Working with CATV1-RDTV.ca on crime reports for news from Didsbury RCMP. Reports posted on our website. MO for thieves – knock on door – if someone home – stupid questions like did you see my dog? / Lost cell phone – can I call from yours? If no-one home, kick the door in. There was a successful arrest when someone called in the suspicious persons. Sept 24 – Green/brown 2005-F250 with Arizona plates stolen PLATE: 237 WWP (Arizona plates). Work truck with equipment in it. False alarms a concern for RCMP. Getting info ready for Prov Div 2 meeting – Oct 17 in Wetaskiwin and we're nominated for Olds & District Chamber of Commerce small business award in non-profit category. Presentation Oct 15. 6 reps from assoc. attending to receive award.
THANK YOU TO VANCE for posting our fanouts on facebook! The more eyes the better.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – INFORMATION ON RECENT SCAMS & DIDSBURY RCMP WEEKLY REPORTS POSTED. AND Community Policing Committees from Olds & Didsbury agendas and minutes posted along with RCMP stats reports www.oldsruralcrimewatch.ca

- 5.7 PRESIDENT'S REPORT Reminder that Wholesale Sports – Calgary is still offering a \$30 discount on cameras for RCW members. Batteries last about 2 months. Available with solar power packs and infrared light. Gerald will talk to the 4-H to see if they want to do a membership drive as a fundraiser.
- 5.8 RED DEER COUNTY REPORT: (Alissa Firmston) Busy with overloads. Sylvan Detachment – reports of suspicious vehicles. Bowden hit too with people going into parked vehicles. Red Deer County cracking down on illegal signs along roadways.
6. NEW BUSINESS:
- 6.1 2016 – APRCWA AGM & CRIME SYMPOSIUM – FEB 5 & 6. \$ 75.00/person before Dec 4 or \$125/person
 - 6.2 Prov RCWA Zone II Meeting – Oct 17 – 10:30 – 2:30 Wetaskiwin Legion & COMMENTS (APPENDIX A)
 - 6.3 2016 Poster Contest – DEADLINE NOV 6, 2015 Arnold will contact Reed Ranch and Koinonia; Alissa will contact Bowden; Val will contact Sundre Schools.
 - 6.4 Business memberships & circulating suspicious person pictures (APPENDIX B)
 - 6.5 Serial Number Registry – Asset Inventory Service – (APPENDIX C)
 - 6.6 APP / website to search for stolen vehicles: app.cpic-cipc.ca

- 6.7 Speed @ 30 km/hr - 5 % of pedestrians killed on collision
 @ 50 - 55% “
 @ 60 - 90 % “

7. Financial Report

- 7.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - balance@ Aug 31, 2015
 Chequing balance -\$ 9,395.02 Casino balance - \$ 9,626.82
 TERM DEPOSIT: \$10,000
MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT: Judy / Bonny CARRIED

- 7.2 Outstanding Bills:
 Meeting & Website Expenses /
MOTION TO PAY BILLS: Glen / James CARRIED

- 7.3 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION
 Thank you from Nathan Cooper
 www.eyewatch.info – St Albert Crime Map
 CAFF (Canadian Anti-Fraud Center) Website info
 Security System Info
 Letter from Alissa Firmston
 CRA Scam Info – fraud prevention
 ACCPA CONFERENCE – NOV 4 & 5
 Cat Mutilations – not man made
 Example of posting on Facebook by Jean Bota
 Crime Stoppers – Summer 2015 – CPTED / Retail Crime Fraud / Personal &
 Financial Robbery / Unsolved Crimes / etc.
 ISCPP – The Practitioner Newsletter
 Regimental Ball @ Carstairs Community Hall Dec 5 (CAVSS Fundraiser)
 \$75/person
 Federation of Calgary Communities Crime Prev Workshops
 Thieves raid honey @ Nixon farm
 Ford trucks get the thieves’ vote
 Lock your doors RCMP caution
 Gas tank-drilling thieves on the prowl
 Police investigation into killing remains active
 RD County updates events bylaw
 Haymaker roll over Hwy 2
 Local MLA wants updates from gov’t on Olds intersections
 Safety campaign underway to keep school kids safe
 Seizing vehicles not the answer
 AMA – Who’s behind the wheel

8. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS:
Lock your vehicles. Practice target hardening. Good to see RCW & COP working together.
9. NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 25, 2015 @ 7:30 PM
10. ADJOURNMENT – MOTION: Arnold CARRIED.
PS – StopBully memberships for \$20 will be available if you wish to donate/support them

APPENDIX A:

September 30, 2015

Prov RCWA Division 2

NOTES:

Olds Rural Crime Watch would like to express the following:

We are very disappointed with the Provincial Board. There has been almost no communication back on the points expressed in the Division 2 Minutes of Oct 25, 2014. Communication has always been an issue, as well as the provincial organization. The provincial board has to be more transparent and proactive with current and future zone members.

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2. We still firmly believe a communications coordinator is essential to keep a Provincial Association active and effective. Short & Sweet status reports were recommended, are essential but still lacking. There were no newsletters.
3. We were told last Oct there was a new webmaster and host but it was only recently that information was available on the website. We have had several groups contact us about starting up associations. We should have been able to tell them to go to the provincial website and get that information. There still needs to be a list of member associations – we understand that you're waiting for this year's memberships but you could have a basic list and update accordingly. Last year's AGM minutes & 2014 need to be posted so

organizations know what was agreed to. A Provincial map with Zones and paid members is also needed so when groups are interested in starting up an association they can check to see if there is an active one nearby.

4. Info on resolutions is now missing from website. There was no call from the Prov exec for 2016 ???
5. Prov Bylaws should be on the website as well.

We would like to comment the Prov Executive though for the work they have done getting the matters cleared up with Revenue Canada.

On a personal note, I Judy Schlichenmayer will again apply for the job of office coordinator with a honorium reimbursement, if the Prov board sees value in this.

APPENDIX B:

As a business owner, do you have a security system that provides good quality pictures of suspects? Are you providing these to the RCMP? Are you interested in circulating these to a broad membership base dedicated to crime prevention?

Olds Rural Crime Watch circulates information on criminal activity and suspects through phone, fax, and e-mail. Membership is \$25 for the period Jan 1, 2016 to Dec 31, 2020. We can send that information out to our membership and create a big deterrent in our area for these types of crimes

APPENDIX C:

The unthinkable happens.

You are robbed. Do you have a list of your equipment/electronics/computer stuff? With serial numbers & cost? When the RCMP recovers the items can you prove they are yours to get them back?

You have a fire. Do you have a list of your equipment/electronics/computer stuff? With serial numbers & cost to get them replaced?

Torroch Sales & Service will enter your information into a database for you. Maintain and update the information as required. All you need to do is complete a simple form when you get an item you want inventoried (along with a picture if you want). Torroch will enter the information and send you a list to verify the information and keep for your records. When you need to add or

delete an item just contact Torrock to do it for you. This information is stored on a provincial database created and maintained by the St Albert Neighbour Hood Place organization. Police services have access to this information to find owners of stolen equipment. If you send pictures, Torrock will create a file for you and store it at its office. Torrock will also submit the information to Business Watch International which is a data base used by police agencies and pawn shops to identify stolen property.

Should the unthinkable happen, just contact Torrock and we'll send you a copy of your information.

Fee structure will vary depending on number of items and frequency of updating.