## CCA coalition meeting highlights- 12/01/2014

Mike announced the death of Jim Hayne and called for a moment of silence.

RPD Captain Deercop - reported on the upcoming Lake Section Reorganization meeting at Aquinas HS on Dec 4. A new Lieutenant should be installed by the first of the year. Jason Blanchard announced the next PCIC meeting January 20, 2015. Kelly O'Hara spoke about safety around the Holidays and offered a brochure on a Home Security Program.

Captain Deercop asked that we call 911 or his office at 426-7620 to report incidents and to ask for details on a particular incident.

Discussion ensued about "hot spots" in the neighborhood. We expect the new format with a beat cop to make a difference. This program should be up and running by March 2015.

Elections were held for the positions of President, Secretary and 2 Directors. The results: Clare Stortini, President, Pam Postgate Secretary, Directors-Sue Roethel and Patty O'Brien.

We said farewell to Mike Parker - who has served us as President with great enthusiasm for four years. Mike will be moving on to work on environmental issues of the Finger Lakes. We will certainly miss you Mike!!

Mike spoke about a certificate program for the Citizens Emergency Response Team between 3/11 and 4/19. Twenty-five seats will be available - first come - first serve.

Jack Foy for Holy Cross - announced 40 food baskets were handed out for Thanksgiving and they expect about the same for Christmas. He is on his way to Bastogne, Belgium for the Battle of the Bulge anniversary event  $2^{nd}$  week in December.

Lighthouse Bob Owens - announced the holiday Light House sale on 12/06 &7 from 1-5 - 20% off for members. Tom Brewer reported on upcoming program at the Custom House

Sean Schiano - announced that the wreath hanging project would not occur until 2015.

Ron Penders - spoke about the ABC Work Camps for low-income residents - a much underutilized program - Ron can be reached at 426-7620. A public meeting regarding the Alpha Street project will be held on 12/11 at 6:00. Ron reminded us that there are four rec centers in the NW - one being at No. 42 School. These are open to the public. Ron is working with Molly Clifford and Pam Postgate on a Farmer's Market for Charlotte - we are looking for volunteers and ideas. Pam Postgate can be reached at 313-2034.

Tony Micciche reported from the County - the budget will not increase property taxes again for the 11<sup>th</sup> straight year. There was some debate over whether or not fee increases should be looked at as tax increases.

Brian announced the Tree Lighting event on December 5<sup>th</sup>. We will use the Firehouse this year for refreshments after the blessing of the creche and tree lighting.