



July 9th Meeting, Ingram Park, 7pm.

In attendance:

Watch coordinators Kate Ewing and Jessica Tebbets

Ingram Council liaison Sharon Stetz

EMS liaison Karen Dixon

Ingram PD liaison Seth Masely

Various members of Ingram and surrounding boroughs.

1. Introductions were made by all in attendance.
2. Coordinators requested help with passing out flyers for upcoming events. It was noted flyers are not to go into mailboxes.
3. Ingram Days: Watch will have a booth. Jack Kobistek offered to raffle a gift card, Karen Dixon offered Vial of Life donations (<http://www.vialoflife.com/>). Everyone is welcome to help with the booth.
4. National Night Out: Aug 2nd. We will walk the neighborhood, make sure porch lights are on, and end with a Pot Luck coordinated with Ingram Civic Club in the park.
5. Bike Safety Awareness Event: Aug 26th. Hosted by Ingram and Crafton Police Depts. Helmets will be available. More details to come soon. We are reaching out to local bike companies and Boy Scouts for help/swag.
6. Updates from the last meeting:
 - Noll Ave Steps: Chief Jack has been in contact with Duquesne Light to repair the light fixture.
 - Meeting with DEA representative this Tues to discuss town hall presentation on drug epidemic. Aiming for a September event.
 - A resident requested to have ordinances specified that were being broken in the weekly report. Chief Jack added them to this week's report: trash and open burning.

7. A resident requested clarification on the burning ordinance (Chapter 91.10-94.17). Officer Masely summarized as follows:

Burning must be at least 25 feet from the nearest dwelling, property line, roadway, sidewalk, or public access area. This distance can be decreased to 15 feet if the fire is contained via a spark arrestor or screen. It was noted that most properties in Ingram do NOT have this 25 ft clearance. This does not apply to grilling or cooking food using charcoal, wood or propane.

- a) No material other than clean dry wood may be burned. No weeds, chemicals or trash.
- b) Only in an approved outdoor rated fireplace, pit, chiminea or similar receptacle.
- c) Fires may be not larger than 3' wide by 3' long.
- d) They must be supervised by a sober adult (18 yrs old).
- e) Means of extinguishment must be available at all times: a bucket of water, hose, sand, dirt, etc.
- f) Burning may only occur from 11am-11:59 pm, and not on Ozone Action Days.
- g) Excessive smoke, even from clean dry wood, is not allowed.

8. A resident expressed concern regarding email address privacy- previous emails were sent to the entire group revealing all personal addresses. It was noted current emails are being sent blindly to avoid this issue.

No other issues or complaints were raised. The next meeting has not yet been planned.