

**UCAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Urbana City Building – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**January 18, 2007**

**In Attendance:**

Leonard Christmon	Virginia Patterson
Melvin Peeples	Hayward Patterson
Samuel Johnson	Mayor Laurel Prussing
Frankie Johnson	Alderman Robert Lewis
Jim Hayes	Chief Mike Bily

Chief Bily called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Mayor Prussing reported that the Urbana City Council recently passed the Rental Registration Program to make rental property safer. The Mayor reminded UCAP members that the Neighborhood Safety Task Force will be meeting again next month (February 6, 2007) to discuss neighborhood concerns and city ordinances. Mayor Prussing also reported that she had attended the UPD Awards Ceremony held January 18, 2007, where citizens were recognized for being instrumental in helping to solve crimes in the City of Urbana. Several UPD police officers were also recognized for their outstanding work.

Alderman Lewis reported that UCAN is meeting with Carle to discuss their expansion plans. He urged UCAP members to attend these meetings to express their views regarding the expansion. He also reported that the Urban and Regional Planning Commission is in the process of hiring a new Director/CEO. Samuel Johnson asked when the Harvey Street project would be started. Alderman Lewis reported that the bidding process for the project would start in early 2007.

Chief Bily reported that the Street Crime Unit has been working in the UCAP area resulting in several drug arrests, as well as, traffic citations. The Chief reported that crime in the City of Urbana was down 1.5% in 2006. Crime statistics will be published in the News-Gazette in the near future. Chief Bily announced that the Champaign County Citizen Police Academy will be held February 15-April 26, 2007 at the Police Training Institute. He asked that anyone interested in participating in the classes, contact him.

Chief Bily addressed questions/concerns of committee members.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen Lowery  
UPD Secretary