



## Citizen Corps Council – October 18<sup>th</sup> Minutes

### **Note: New and updated meeting time at end of minutes**

*Attendees: Levell Blanchard, Kim McGrath, Raymond Huffman Jr, Ted Dent, Danny Baxter, Sandra Mathias, Andrea Merriweather, Winston Cross, Janet Hooks, Major McNeil*

Levell Blanchard facilitated the meeting in Claude Talford's absence.

1. Introduction – We had one new attendee: Ted Dent from the Millington Fire.
2. Agency Update – No Agency updates this month
3. Nomination for office – We were not able to hold nominations again this month. We discussed that the Chair should be an elected official (i.e. mayor, councilman, alderman, etc.). Since Claude was absent, we were not sure if letters have been sent out to elected officials of Memphis and Shelby County. At this point, interim officers will be appointed to get the Citizen Corps Council moving forward.

Questions arose from most of the attendees that it is still unclear: what the exact role of the Citizen Corps Council is and what the difference between CCC and VOAD is. This could also be the reason behind lack of attendance to the meetings. We are going to invite the State Coordinator of Citizen Corps to come to the December meeting where she can present us with information about Citizen Corps. We will also submit in conjunction with the State Coordinator letters to all elected officials and media an invitation to our December meeting.

We agreed to change the meeting time, since the Third Thursday of each Month is very busy for most of the members and 11 a.m. was not the most convenient as well. **The new meeting time is the Second Thursday of each Month at 9 a.m.**

**Next meeting – November 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. at the EMA – 2668 Avery**