

**Rogers Park, 24th Police District, Beat 2431**  
**CAPS Meeting, March 19, 2007**  
**Rogers Park Community Council Office**  
**1530 W. Morse Avenue**  
[www.caps24.org](http://www.caps24.org)

**Officiates:**

Jayne M. Hoffman, co-Facilitator, CAPS Beat 2431

Sergeant Koconis filling in for Sergeant Baranowski, Beat Team Leader, Chicago Police Department

Mary Jane Haggerty, notes recorder

*Meeting notes are paraphrased, quotations are marked accordingly.*

**I. Welcome and introductions.**

7:10 pm: Jayne explained she will facilitate in Kevin's absence. She offered short history of CAPS.

**II. Police crime report.**

Sgt. Koconis presented stats: Robberies 3; Aggravated Assault/Battery – 1; Burglary -1; Theft -8, MVT – 18. Narcotics (down 3) other charges down 10 (47% reduction) “Too many narcotics arrest – we’ve got to work on these guys hanging out shooting dice, bottle gangs.”

**III. Updates on old problems.**

**1340 W. Morse/1345 W. Lunt.**

No new updates on these properties – Jayne explained that The City of Chicago's Drug and Gang House Enforcement is the custodian of this complex since *Operation Morse Code* drug bust last August.

**IV. Identify new problem areas.**

**A.** Citizen from 1122 W. Morse: brought up homeless problem – said he'd met with Alderman Moore last fall, and they were starting to new plan for this year. He wants advice on what to do when warm weather starts to bring problems again. Sgt. Koconis reminded that bike patrols will be back in May and patrol everyday until midnight covering from Devon to Howard east of Sheridan, and they'll hit the problem areas. He also stated that people should call 911 anytime there's a disturbance.

Officer Cohen said that as a result of that meeting last fall, there will be a strategy this year to make sure that any homeless persons do not feel comfortable anywhere in Loyola Park. He also asked neighbors to call 911 when they can.

**B.** Citizen said that the alley north of Morse has been seeing drug dealing during the day and at night. Sgt. Koconis advised for citizens to get good physical descriptions of the perps, and

try find out where drugs are being hidden. Sign complaints if they are on the property. Jayne asked him to bring other neighbors to next meeting in April and plan some strategy for once the weather warms up. She also reminded us of Friday night walks that will start again in summer, and could possibly target that area.

**V. Announcements**

Domestic Violence seminar: March 31 from 10-11:30 AM at Devon Bank.  
Blood drive at Howard el on April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3-8 PM.

The next beat meeting will be **Monday, April 16, 2007.**

Meeting adjourned by Sgt. Koconis at 7:45 P.M.

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