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Meeting of Sept 14th by Zoom

This was a brief meeting by Zoom with Chris Schneider of BU talking on Police Body Cameras and we had a brief update on the Sept 11th Bike Sale.

Chris Schneider's presentation was very informative. He reviewed the plusses and minuses for the cost effectiveness and social effectiveness of the body cameras and concluded that they were not worth the expense. A major surprise issue was that all of the data for the cameras is stored by an American firm in Arizona that has a monopoly on the business (the Taser company). That makes operating the cameras very expensive for the municipality. The research on their effectiveness in altering behaviour, either police or public behaviour, was not very clear in showing that the cameras produced any reduction in bad behaviour. For a number of reasons they often don't even produce good evidence for courts.

A report on the Sept 11th bike sale showed that we just broke even. It was obvious that the sale was so late that public interest was not there. At a minimum, we got rid of the remaining inventory. The bikes we had left over from the summer and previous sale were not of the same quality as earlier sales.

It was decided that we should set the dues at \$130 immediately so that we can begin collecting them. Reg had given the method for e-mail payment if our members chose that last year and I will attach his instructions again for those of you who choose that route.

I drove to the east end playground site today and I saw that Zenith Paving had laid out the walkways and put down the base for both the shelters and the walkways. The rubberized surface for the south playground area had not been done yet.

What's happening at Kiwanis (meeting alternate Tuesdays at 12:00PM by Zoom

- 1) **Sept 28th Business meeting and induction of new executive**
- 2)

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