SPRINGDALE OFFERING SUPPORT  
Meeting Minutes for  
February 18, 2015

Present: Mayor Webster, Christie Guzman, Marsha Hoc tor, Greg Karle, Julie Matheny, Michael Mathis, Jerry Thamann, Joe Ture

Minutes: The minutes of January 21, 2015 were considered and approved as published.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mayor Webster announced the approved resignation of Health Commissioner, Cammie Mitrione. Jerry Thamann will be providing oversight to the Department of Health for the time being. The recruiting process for hiring a new Health Commissioner will take approximately eight weeks.

OLD BUSINESS
Suggestions were made for official “thank you” cards to be sent out to the 2014 SOS sponsors in addition to the letters of gratitude that were sent out in January. Ms. Hoc tor agreed to provide the mail merge document with correct salutations and addresses to Mr. Karle for the cards. The Mayor inquired about the status of Springdale’s talent show; it was determined to be a dormant issue at this time.

NEW BUSINESS
It was decided that Election of Officers would be postponed until March 18th. A suggestion was put forth for a temporary secretary to be appointed until the hiring of a forthcoming Health Commissioner is complete. This issue has not been decided as Jerry Thamann is overseeing the Health Department. It was also discussed as to whether Mr. Thamann could sign the minutes and so forth as acting Health Commissioner. The By-Laws governing the SOS Program need to be referenced regarding both issues.

TREASURER’S REPORT
Mrs. Matheny reported that the only change in the General Fund since the last meeting was interest accrued during that time period. The beginning balance totaling $7,058.37; the ending balance total: $7058.74.

DISCUSSION
Mr. Ture suggested expanding the SOS Program’s level of community outreach by incorporating New Life Furniture; a ministry that focuses on collecting gently used furniture, delivering it and setting it up in homes for families and individuals that are in need throughout the Cincinnati area. NLF assists local communities by helping people overcome homelessness, domestic abuse, house fires, evictions or other situations in which people are beginning a new life. Once a potential candidate’s situation is assessed by a representative of NLF and they are approved for the NLF Program; a $100 referral fee is required from the agency that referred the candidate.

A potential candidate was discussed and their eligibility for the program. It was suggested that Jean Hicks visit the home to determine the needs and residential situation before the process is pursued; however, there is no guarantee that the organization will accept the candidate once referred.
Police Expo & Police Academy 2015:
Mr. Ture reported that there would be a Police Expo at Tri-County Mall and that will take place on May 16th and 17th. The Citizen’s Police Academy is scheduled to begin March 23rd.

Torch Run:
Mr. Ture reported that the 2015 Torch Run would take place on June 24th.

NEXT MEETING: March 18, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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