

SPRINGDALE OFFERING SUPPORT
September 18, 2013

Present: Bob Diehl, Carolyn Ghantous, Marsha Hctor, Greg Karle, Julie Matheny, Jim Squires, Joe Ture, Cammie Mitrione, Doyle Webster

Minutes: The minutes of August 28, 2013 were approved.

Joshua Howard has tendered his resignation from the SOS board. He felt he didn't have the time to contribute but asked to be notified if there is a need for help.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ComeUnity Bash

Julie Matheny reported that SOS earned \$500.72 selling pizzas at the ComeUnity Bash.

SOS Requests

Cammie Mitrione said there was a request for help with utility bills. She said the person was given a Kroger gift card to help with food.

Walt Wyder, Susan Wyder's husband has offered to help with handyman work.

NEW BUSINESS

Christmas Program

Marsha Hctor said the last day of school before Christmas break is December 20. She suggested pick up dates of December 19 and 20. The wrapping event could be held December 16 or 17, which day is best for most. Marsha will check with the City Police Academy volunteers.

Calvary Church will contribute the Thanksgiving meals again this year.

It was suggested that a notice be put on the electronic sign asking for donors. Food boxes will be distributed again but food gift cards will not be bought.

There was discussion about the screening process for recipients and setting a limit on the number of recipients but specifics were not determined.

Mayor Webster said he would talk with Derrick Parham about the Food for Fines program.

The Police Department is still working on a sponsor for Shop with an Officer. Target has not responded and WalMart had requirements such as the purchase of one food item. The Fire Department would like to get involved in the program and might have a representative at the next SOS meeting.

Hotel Vouchers

Marsha Hctor stated that they don't have any more hotel vouchers at the Police Department. Cammie stated they had had a request for help and she was able to get the requester two nights at the Atrium Hotel. The family called the next day and complained of bedbugs before they even checked out. The manager, unaware of that complaint, called and said the residents had stolen blankets from the hotel.

Mr. Diehl said he was hesitant to request vouchers and suggested SOS allocate funds and negotiate a rate with the hotels. Cammie said she would talk to the Atrium and/or other hotels for negotiated rates.

Cammie Mitrione said she would call Susan Wyder about the coat program. Mayor Webster said he would talk to Doug Peters of Chick-fil-A about helping with the program and Joe Ture will talk with the Hispanic Coalition. Cammie Mitrione will talk to someone at Maple Knoll about public service announcements on their radio station.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Julie Matheny reported there was \$7,419.36 in the general fund. La Rosa's was paid \$235 and interest earned was 63 cents leaving a balance of \$7,184.99 on September 18, 2013. The Christmas fund began with a balance of \$806.32. SOS earned \$500.72 at the ComeUnity Bash for a balance of \$1,307.04 as of September 19, 2013.

NEXT MEETING: November 20, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

Cammie Mitrione, Secretary