SPRINGDALE OFFERING SUPPORT
Meeting Minutes for:
September 20, 2017

Meeting began at 3:04 p.m.

Present: Julie Matheny, Carolyn Ghantous, Bob Diehl, Marsha Hoctor, Keenan Riordan, Matt Clayton, Mayor Webster, Jim Squires, Tom Lindsey, and Greg Karle

Minutes: The minutes of the May 17, 2017 and the minutes of the July 19, 2017 meeting were considered and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

St. Rita’s Haunted House
IBI stated that electrical work that is needed for Haunted House could cost upwards of $10,000. Bob Diehl met with Steve from Jaycees. They are currently working on getting money up front before it can be repaid in ticket sales. Insurance and fire prevention would increase the electrical work expenses to $26,000. Tom Lindsey stated that the mall itself needs to do fire improvements for inspection anyway. The reason for the increase in the cost was that the Jaycees equipment is a “single phase” system when the mall is on a “three phase” system. Bob Diehl will keep SOS informed.

Mrs. Nassar
Toilet fixed last Tuesday for approximately $177. The People Working Cooperative (PWC) application was mailed off. Home Improvement Repair Program (HIRP) application is still in process. It will be filed with Gregg Taylor (Springdale Building Department) soon. Mrs. Nassar was going to move to Chicago to be near her niece, but now is adamant that she wants to stay here. Mrs. Ghantous stated that she and her husband explained to Mrs. Nassar that she needs to improve her home in order to sell it. May look into assisted living in Fairfield to be near two church friends. Mr. Clayton stated Meals on Wheels through Council on Aging and a COA caseworker will be helping Mrs. Nassar as well. Jean Hicks was working on getting housekeeping assistance for Mrs. Nassar, also through COA.

Willows Fire Update
Mr. Clayton stated that multiple community partners worked together to create a synergistic benefit for the eight families affected by the Willows Apartments July 8th fire. Assistance provided by the community partners included mattresses/box springs, food, clothing, cash assistance, personal care items and furniture.

Tri-County Soul Ministries
Their summer feeding program fed 1,600 children over two months thanks to a $1,000 S.O.S. donation.
NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer’s Report

The S.O.S. General Fund as of September 20, 2017 is as follows:

- **Beginning balance of:** $6,856.56
- **DEPOSITS:**
  - (Interest) $2.55
  - Kathy McNear $150.00
  - Vineyard $16,564.23
  - BASH MONEY $407.00
- **TOTAL DEPOSITS:** $17,123.78

- **WITHDRAWALS:**
  - UDF (gift card) $100.00
  - Target (gift cards) $400.00
  - Game Time (playground equipment) $16,564.23
  - Soul Ministries (summer lunches) $1,000.00
  - Healing Center (Willows families) $1,000.00
  - Jared Brookover (shrubs/labor for Jim Deak) $147.66
  - Carolyn Ghantous (Mrs. Nassar) $177.25
  - LaRosa’s (pizza, tip (ComeUnity Bash)) $212.00
- **TOTAL WITHDRAWALS:** $19,601.14

- **ENDING BALANCE:** $4,379.20

The Christmas Fund as of September 20, 2017 is as follows:

- **Beginning balance of:** $5,128.34
- **DEPOSITS:**
  - (Interest) $1.28
  - Mr. Bailey $160.00
- **ENDING BALANCE:** $5,289.62

Treasurer’s Report was accepted as submitted.

Mrs. Ghantous will get 20 coats from the Princeton Closet for the first round of requests for coats. While in the past Mrs. Wyder has paid for coats that S.O.S. has purchased, S.O.S. has still normally applied an amount to spend for coats ($500) with the possibility of spending more. Mrs. Ghantous stated that in the past she normally spends $14.97 per coat and bought 33 coats.

**Christmas Adopt a Family**

Police Officer Hoctor stated that she currently has 13 families and 22 sponsors. The following dates were agreed upon for the Adopt a Family program:

- **December 7th** and **December 8th** - Food pickup from donation barrels
- **December 8th** - Last day for sponsor present drop off
December 10th - Wrap Party
December 13th and December 14th - Family present pick up

It was suggested that food donation barrels should be dropped off to various companies and locations by November 6th in order to have the greatest opportunity for participation by area businesses. Mr. Clayton will be in charge of food and Mr. Lindsey will assist him in dropping off and picking up food donation barrels.

Ms. Matheny and Mrs. Boggs will check wrapping paper supplies and re-stock as needed. It was noted that more boxes (shirt size and larger) could be used this year.

**DISCUSSION**

October 7th, 2017 - Fire Department Open House
11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

October 10th, 2017 - Business Expo
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** November 15, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

City of Springdale
Department of Health