

Friends of Safety City Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2009

Members Present:

Yvonne Batts
Ken Poyner
Gayle Whetsel
Tommy McAlister

Others Present:

Trooper Sparky Dean
Lt. Randy Doan
Sgt. Keith Shackelford
FF Gary Hamner
Jennifer Stuckey

Chief Berry
Chief Dozier
Legal – Theresa James

#1 Called to order @ 4:00 p.m.

#2 November 2008 Board Minutes

Motion to accept by Ken, 2nd by Gayle, all approved.

#3 Treasure's Report

Gayle distributed copies of the current bank statements.

#4 Maintenance Contract

Contract states the Jody Kent will maintain the current "display" buildings for \$2500 per year and up to \$100 per building. Cost exceeding \$100 will be the responsibility of the Friends of Safety City.

Gary questioned the buildings themselves being the "displays". Theresa clarified that the Friends of Safety City agreement with the City of Abilene is that the Friends of Safety City would maintain the "display" buildings.

Tommy asked for a review and clarification of that agreement. Members agree that the Friends of Safety City would like to have the City of Abilene be responsible for all buildings and that the "memorandum of understanding" will need to be rewritten.

Ken made the motion: that Yvonne and Shackelford will negotiate with Jody Kent and Theresa will draft a contract to not exceed \$2500. Expends will be taken from the already approved funds. 2nd by Tommy, all approved.

#5 Fundraising Events

Yvonne praised the staff on work done for the Sporting Clay Shoot. She emphasized the need for individual shooters and sponsorships. We are still working on the logistics for the drawing but will get tickets to everyone for them to sell. We will need lots of volunteers to help prior to and during the shoot. The AFD has a link on their website to our brochure. This information will go out to all sporting clay sites around Texas and Jennifer will send it out to all the teachers/schools.

Randy informed everyone about the Chuck E Cheese fundraiser that had brought in about \$500.

The AFD is working on a Penny Drive campaign with all elementary schools in the Big Country/all grades for March 1-31.

#6 Donations and Sponsor Activity

Yvonne stated that Layton is working on the 501c3.

Randy reviewed an up-to-date account on grants and in-kind donations. A grant application has been sent to Academy and that they are waiting on another fire prevention grant.

The Beals have contacted and have commitments from several sub-contractors to assist in the building of the Fire Safety House. The steering committee will meet on Wed., Feb. 18 with the Beals. Gary stated we need to figure out a way to recognize the Beals for their contribution.

Yvonne stated that Laura has met with Mr. Ed Patton and is raising funds with other oil people.

Yvonne stated that we did not qualify for the Jr. League grant but possible with other community assistance programs.

#7 Next meeting is Thursday, March 12, 2009 @ 4:00 p.m. @ Safety City.

Motion to adjourn by Gayle, 2nd by Tommy, all approve.