

## **GCPAA MEETING MINUTES**

2/12/2015

Paul Parker called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Roll Call – The sign-in sheet will be used as our roll call.

**Presentation to the Police Department** – Jean Pilling made a presentation of the new oven to the Officers that were in attendance. Paul Parker thanked Gary Miller for purchasing the oven for us.

**MEETING MINUTES** – Dee Crow made a motion to accept the minutes as they appeared in email. The motion was seconded by Sue Macon. The motion was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Report was made by Julie Seaman: The beginning balance for January 2015 was \$8,372.89 with deposits totaling \$246.00. Checks were written in the amount of \$1,542.08 leaving a balance of \$7076.81. Sunshine Fund had a beginning balance of \$948.89 with no deposit, but checks were written for the amount of \$136.27, leaving a balance of \$812.62. Wes Thompson made a motion we accept the Treasurer's Report, it was seconded by Gary Miller. The motion was unanimous.

### **V.P. Reports:**

**Dee Crow** – No report

**Linda Mallon** – In March Dub Gillam with the Texas Highway Department will speak about the happenings on the Texas Border.

**COP'S REPORT** – Ken Clough reported that one of their COPs members, T.C. Lynn had to quit because of job conflicts. Also, Don Walker had surgery and will be out for the month of February, so their hours for driving will be sparse. They will have a class for new members around Sept./October. If you are interested, see Ken Clough.

**SUNSHINE CLUB** – Sue Macon reported \$63 dollars collected tonight.

**ADOPT A COP** – Pam Fuller sent 2 Birthday Cards this month. She took a large can of popcorn to the Police Department.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Finance/Fundraising** – Pam Fuller said she is looking locally for an AR15 rifle for a fund raiser. More information will follow on that subject. Pam is planning a fundraiser at Stumpy's in the near future, and in June we have Tip-a-Cop.

**Media/Publicity** –Martha Pyron reported on the great article that was in the Hood County News about our new class. She asked if anyone has pictures of activities that they submit them to her.

**EVENTS/Parades** – Jean Pilling said there will be no parade at the General Granbury's Birthday celebration on March 21 this year. The next parade we have is for Texas Independence Day, Feb. 28, and of course, we need all our volunteers to help with traffic. Meet at 9:30 by the Police Department for radios and vests. Be sure to wear your yellow shirts.

Martha spoke about the Easter Egg Hunt on March 28 at the City Park. They need all the volunteers they can possibly get. The Ministerial Alliance is helping as well as the Key Club will help guard the perimeters. There is a special area for the special needs children. There will be games, booths and Martha said if any organization wants to set up a booth they are welcome to. A rain date is set for 4/4/15. She reminded us that they have over 3,000 kids for this activity. It begins at 11:00a but volunteers need to be there by 10:00 at the latest.

#### **Old Business:**

**Webpage** –The webpage looks great and they are ready to publish it, just waiting on the money to send in and then it will be up and running.

**Debit Card** – still waiting on this to come in. As soon as it does, Julie Seaman will pay the amount for the Website. Should be any day now. Sgt. Brichetto said he will go by the back and see if it is there.

#### **New Business:**

**Marketing Committee:** Jean said Don Walker is Chairman and has been ill, but they have several items they are looking at. Jean is asking for \$2,500 for the year, but explained they will only spend about half of that amount on the first round of items, and save the other half to purchase items later. If we approve the whole amount then the Committee will not have to keep coming back over and over to ask for more. They are looking at items such as; mugs with our Logo and the word Volunteer on them, whistles, refrigerator magnets, small containers of mints, reusable grocery sacks, etc. Motion was made by Martha Pyron to approve \$2,500 for the purchase of promotional items and it was seconded by Pat Andris. The motion was unanimous.

**Dues** – Julie Seaman said only about half have paid their dues for this year. Paul Parker asked that if anyone had not paid dues yet to please do so tonight.

**New Class** – We have 15 signed up for the new class, Sgt. Brichetto would like to have 20 if possible. Paul Parker passed around the meal sign-up sheet for us to provide a meal at each class session.

**Hood County Republican Club** – Paul said he received an invitation for our members to attend a Law Enforcement Appreciation meeting they are having on February 19 from 6:30 – 9:00 at Crossland's Cafeteria. Paul asked if anyone was interested in setting up a table with the tablecloth and recruiting for our new class. He will find out if they will let us do that. Paul plans to go and Gary Miller volunteered to go with him.

**CPR Class** – Paul Parker is wanting to set up a CPR class since the ones that took the class two years ago are needing to renew. 13 raised their hand and said they are interested in a CPR class. Sgt. Brichetto will get us some dates together so we can decide when it is best to hold the class.

**OFFICER'S REPORT** – Sgt. Cris Brichetto introduced Keisha Watson, intern, to the class. She is already certified and can start the Academy right away. There are two that are attending the Academy and Officer Monica Bernier is full time now. They still need two more, but there are no prospects at this time.

Sgt. Brichetto said he has cleared out space for them to have room for two rowers. The Department is moving toward a healthier group of Officers. He found one rower for \$900 and one for about \$1100. After much discussion, a motion was made by Jean Pilling to approve \$2200 to buy two rowers. The motion was seconded by Linda Balsavage. The motion was unanimous.

The oven we purchased will go on a rack above the microwave. The Officers seem happy to have the oven.

The new class is March 19 and Sgt. Brichetto needs the applications turned in by March 1. He really wants 5 more if possible. The graduation will be Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at the Resort Conference Center.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**- Dennis Walje asked if we were still getting ID cards. Jean Pilling said if we got the cards that HR at the City would put the pictures on them. Jean will check into this further.

**SUNSHINE DRAWING**- Sue Macon drew names for prizes. Winners were, Paul, Sue, Martha, Ken, Gary and Linda Balsavage.

Before we adjourned Paul Parker welcomed Lester Cox back. Lester will have surgery on his shoulder. Also, Paul welcomed Bruce and Dee Opperman to the meeting. They were visitors.

A motion was made by Lester Cox to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion was seconded by Ken Clough. Motion was unanimous.

There were 21 in attendance. The guest speaker for tonight will be Cody Martin with USPS.

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Pat Andris - Secretary