

GCPAA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

08/10/15

Paul Parker called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm.

ROLL CALL – was made verbally

MEETING MINUTES – Jean Pilling made a motion to accept the minutes as they appeared on line. The motion was seconded by Pam Fuller. The motion was unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Report was made by Julie Seaman: The beginning balance for July, 2015 was \$9,785.33 with deposits totaling \$103.00. Checks were written in the amount of \$415.87 leaving a balance of \$9,472.46. The beginning balance for the Sunshine Fund was \$1,124.62 with a deposit of \$28.00 and a withdrawal of \$66.00, leaving a balance of \$1,086.62. The Popcorn fund beginning balance was \$64.00 with withdrawals totaling \$52.23 leaving a balance of \$11.77. Pat Andris made a motion we accept the Treasurer's Report as read, it was seconded by Pam Fuller. The motion was unanimous.

V.P. Reports:

Dee Crow – No report

Linda Mallon – Linda Mallon reminded us that tonight our speaker is Diane Williams with Congressman Conaway's office. September will be the new City Manager, Chris Coffman and October will be a game night. November will be Election of Officers and December is our Christmas Party.

COP'S REPORT – Ken Clough reported that four people will attend the COPS Academy on August 29 for new members. They had a record # of hours in July, with a total of 179 driving hours. Pam Fuller said our total hours for the year was 1,898 hours. Ken asked for Hot Wheels or funds to purchase certain ones to help them set up scenarios' to teach in the new class. They will also need a plastic mat for the roadway. It was suggested Print One may be able to provide the erasable mat with markers. Paul Parker said we will bring this up to the group Thursday night. Ken said they are needing money to purchase shirts and patches for the new members and he will report back with an amount they need at the next meeting.

ADOPT A COP – Pam Fuller sent 4 Birthday cards in July and 3 this month (August). She was pleased to announce that two of our class members went to Home Depot and to Lowes and got a total of 14 cases of water and Wal-Mart gave us a \$50 gift certificate to use to purchase more. It was brought up that each Police car needs batons, there are 11-12 batons needed. They are priced at \$40.00 each. The total amount would be approximately \$600 for 15 of them. Paul Parker suggested we table this until our next meeting.

Committee Reports:

Finance/Fundraising – Pam Fuller reminded us that the jewelry needs to be raffled off and she has tickets that sell for \$1.00 ea. Also we discussed the raffle and purchase of a Bond Arms pistol that we will raffle off. Jim and Robin Soloman have offered to donate a pink handle Bond Arms pistol that they own, so we will have two that can be raffled off. This will be brought up at the next meeting.

Media/Publicity – Martha Pyron said there would be an ad in the Hood County News two weeks prior to the Community Appreciation Day. Pat Andris said she will be sure it is on the City's Community Calendar.

Events/Parades – Jean Pilling reminded us of Operation School Supplies at Lakeside Baptist Church from 9-5 on 8/13/15.

Jean said Robin Soloman is wanting to discuss setting up a School Supply Committee. She will let her explain this more at our meeting.

Community Appreciation Day is 9/12 at Hewlett Park from 9-1, and Jean asked that everyone go on line and volunteer for a 2 hr. time slot. We are needing many volunteers.

Granscary put on by United Way – Oct. 23 & 24 and Oct. 30 & 31st at the Reunion Grounds – Volunteers will be needed for parking and various other duties. Jean contacted them but has had no response back yet.

Healthy Woman at Acton Middle School on 11/7/15. Our application was mailed in and we have two volunteers to pass out items.

OLD BUSINESS:

CPAA Radios – Ken Clough has researched the radios and has found them priced up to \$187.95 for 10 ea. This is the bottom range of radios, it will be discussed at our meeting on Thursday.

Christmas Gifts – Pat Andris brought an idea to the board on gift sacks for the Police, and will show it to the members at our meeting. Julie Seaman suggested gift certificates so they can purchase ammunition.

Lance McLean Golf Tournament – Lester Cox explained that Katie McLean does not need the money and has set up a Scholarship Fund for students in local high schools. They can use some volunteers if anyone is available to help with this.

NEW BUSINESS:

The check will be presented to the City Council for our volunteer hours in September. Jean Pilling is researching getting an erasable check so we don't spend \$60 each year to purchase one that is no use afterwards. A date will be announced at the member meeting.

Nominating Committee – Paul Parker said it is time to get together a nominating committee for election of new officers. He asked everyone to be thinking about nominations.

Julie Seaman asked if we could get more money to purchase gift cards for our speakers at our meetings. This will be presented to the membership at our next meeting.

8th Annual Acton Nature Run sponsorship, April 23, 2016 – Gary Miller has asked if we could participate in this. The cost is \$100 for bronze sponsorship, which gives us our name on the shirts and a table to pass out items and promote our organization. We will discuss this at our meeting on Thursday.

LIDAR Gun – This gun is like a radar gun and it is not working properly, it has a short in it. This was tabled because of the exorbitant cost to replace it.

Cookout for the Police Department – Pam Fuller asked if we could think about a Picnic/cookout for our Officers when it cools off some. We would purchase the meat and individuals could bring the sides. The Officers could bring their families, too.

OFFICER'S REPORT – Sgt. Cris Brichetto asked everyone to promote the Citizen's Appreciation Day and to think of ways to get the word out so our attendance will be up. Pat Andris said it is on the City Calendar and will be on the Weekend Events and Martha Pyron is making a flyer to pass out as well as the Hood County News is donating an ad for the newspaper.

Sgt. Brichetto said he was approached by Linda Balsavage about working in the office at the Police Department. He is thinking about how that would work with a Volunteer program. Pat Andris suggested they have a Volunteer Coordinator that when they have a project to be done that coordinator would be in charge of calling a volunteer in, that way they wouldn't have people coming in when they weren't needed.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Julie Seaman said she sent Thank You cards to Bond Arms for the wonderful tour, the Hood County News for their ads they donated for Tip-A-Cop and to John Knox for cooking and hosting the group after the 4th of July Parade.

Lester Cox said The Bond Arms tour was great and everyone got a gift bag. It was fascinating watching the Robotic Arms work.

Paul Parker said Dee Crow was very thankful to everyone for their concern and kindness. She loved the flowers we sent, the hanging basket, and said it is still beautiful

A motion was made by Jean Pilling to adjourn at 6:58 pm. Motion was seconded by Pat Andris. Motion was unanimous.

Pat Andris, Secretary