



CAYCE PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION

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Cayce Public Safety Foundation
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes February 27, 2024

- **Call to Order/Welcome:** Pamme Eades called the meeting to order at 5:52 PM.
- **Members Present:** Pamme Eades, Kay Hutchinson, Russ Shumard, Chief Cowan, FD Chief Bullard, John Sloan (via zoom) Karen Sanders (via phone), Barbara Corbett (via zoom), Donna Ziegler, Trinessa Dubas, Donna Zeigler, Taylor Gilliam (new member). Also present from the FD was Lindsay McDade (Community Risk Reduction Coordinator).
Absent: Rebecca Lorick, Tim James, Miles Fisher, Hunter Sox.
Note: New member Taylor Gilliam was introduced to the board members.
- **Approval of Minutes:** The January meeting minutes were reviewed. Pamme noted a change. The foundation made \$350.00 at the Christmas parade and not \$700.00 as originally indicated. Donna made a motion to approve, and Chief Cowan seconded the motion. The January meeting minutes were approved.
- **Treasures Report:** Kay Hutchinson gave a report on the organization's current financial status. Some highlights are as follows:

Operating Account

Balance - \$29,029.65
Restricted Funds - \$24,067.97
Unrestricted Funds - \$4,961.68
Income: Donation to FD \$500

K9 Account

Balance: \$39,113.66
Restricted Funds: \$17,000
Unrestricted Funds: \$22,113.66

Reserve Account

Balance: \$10,289.57

Benevolence Account

Balance: 4,074.1

- **2024 Meeting dates discussed:** January 16, February 27, March 26, April 23, May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 26, December 24 (November and December meeting are subject to change).

- **Old Business**

Discussion and completion of CPSF budget: Goal of raising \$76,800.00 set. Chief Cowan made a motion to approve the budget and Taylor Gilliam seconded the motion. The measure was unanimously approved.

Friends of the CPSF kickoff: Currently in progress. Ads running on social media. The foundation hopes to raise \$5,000.00 through this campaign.

Soiree on State Festival March 23: Event starts at 2 PM and ends at 8 PM. Volunteers needed to help set up between 10 AM and 12 PM for an opportunity to sell merchandise.

Steel Paws: Date for this event TBA. Possibly a 2-day event. Some details on this event include a "black tie" gala in which tickets would be sold. Participating agencies will be Cayce PD, LCSO and RCSO.

Advent Calendar: Details still being worked out. Calendar cannot be produced until all the K-9s are acquired which, according to Chief Cowan, will be in June. As mentioned in earlier meetings students at the Lexington 2 Innovation Center are assisting the foundation with this project. Russ has reached out to additional candy companies/promotional companies with negative results. Taylor Gilliam indicated his dad works in promotional sales and that he would get some ideas from him.

Tennis Tournament: Discussion of to do or not to do this event for this year. Due to the other fundraiser campaigns the board decided not to pursue this event this year. Meanwhile, Cayce's City Council had previously awarded \$2,300.00 in A-tax grants to the foundation specifically for this event. These funds will need to be returned. Chief Bullard made a motion to do so and Trenissa seconded. The measure was unanimously approved.

- **New Business**

C.A.S.E. (Cayce Assisting Seniors and Elderly) Initiative to ensure senior citizens in the community are looked after, contacted and are partnered with resources they need. A luncheon was recently held to generate press and publicity for the initiative.

Save a Life Event: March 16, 2024 at Granby Park. FD's Lindsay McDade spoke about this event. Rx takeback, first aid, CPR, food, snacks are just a few of the highlights. All food is being paid for by various donors and businesses in the community.

Blossoms and Beaus: Event to take place April 13th at the Lex 2 Innovation Center.

- **Requests from the PD and FD:**

Police C.A.S.E. Program: Chief Cowan requested \$249.30 plus tax to purchase door hangers to place at homes in the community to help identify those who could benefit from this program. The requested amount would cover the cost of making and printing 500 door hangers. Donna made a motion to approve the request and Taylor seconded the motion. The measure was unanimously approved.

Fire Department:

Chief Bullard made a request for new medical equipment, specifically 5 stethoscopes and cases at a cost of \$415.21. Russ made a motion to approve the measure and Chief Cowan seconded the motion. The measure was unanimously approved.

Lindsay McDade the community risk reduction coordinator for the FD shared with the foundation about her miniature horse "Muffin" which will be utilized as a therapy horse in the community. McDade has been working with the horse for a few months to get certified as a therapy horse. This will be the first therapy horse of its

kind in South Carolina. To get the program up and running "Muffin" would need an ID vest and liability insurance. McDade requested \$1,200 dollars from the unrestricted funds for this program. Taylor made a motion to approve which was seconded. However, Chief Cowan wished to modify the motion to approve the request if a sponsor can't cover the cost. He went on to report he and FD Chief Bullard knew of a sponsor who might be willing to cover the cost for this specific request. Taylor seconded the modified motion, and the board unanimously approved the measure.

Other Business:

- The next meeting will be on March 26

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM