

**MINUTES  
FIRE SERVICES BOARD  
CITY OF HALTOM CITY  
CENTRAL FIRE STATION  
October 17, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Suzanne Norris called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Chief Jacobs offered the Invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Norris, McConnell, Geltmeier, Porter, Gum, Holmes, Coffman, Freitas

**STAFF:** Chief Jacobs

**COUNCIL LIAISON:** Ken Hantz

**CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2023, MEETING MINUTES.** It was moved by Porter and seconded by Geltmeier to approve the September 19, 2023, minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Open House Recap** – There was a pretty good turnout, considering all the other activities in the city that day. We collected \$152.00 in donations and used less than one case of popcorn. The hot dogs were a big hit!
2. **Carfest** – October 28 – At Haltom High parking lot 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We should arrive at 8:30 a.m. We will need one canopy.
3. **Christmas on Broadway** – December 2 – Hours are 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. We should arrive at 12:30 p.m. We will have our picture stand up for photos and perhaps the new Plinko board with prizes in addition to popcorn.
4. **Cookies with Santa** – December 9 – We just have the Nov 21 meeting left and will finalize details then. It was brought up that we

only have one printer to print the photos which is not sufficient with the number of kids we expect. Chairperson Norris had priced printers and stated they were under \$200. Geltmeier made a motion to purchase a printer to be used for these type events in an amount not to exceed \$200. Freitas seconded. The motion passed unanimously. In addition to pictures, we will have a craft activity. We plan to get cookies to bake as they are more economical.

5. **December Meeting Dinner** – December 19 – 6:00 p.m. Station 1. Amy will check with Hoffbrau on pricing, and we will discuss gifts at the next meeting.
6. **Christmas Dinner in the Bay** – December 16 – 6:30. Rudy's BBQ is always good and reasonably priced. Amy will get pricing and details to discuss next month.
7. **Update of Generator Purchase** – The new generator has been purchased and will be tagged and inventoried.

## **FUNDRAISING**

1. **Cotton Patch Re-cap** – We collected a little over \$200.00. It was not a good experience due to short staffing and long waits.
2. **Safety Trailer** – Final pictures will be added to the flyer, and it will be ready for distribution after the first of the year.
3. **Raffle possibilities** – We will brainstorm for ideas about raffles after the first of the year.

Bryce Davis, *Director of Community Preparedness / Emergency Management Coordinator*, stopped by to discuss staffing of the Safety Trailer at events. To ensure coverage for the whole community, ideas were discussed regarding scheduling FSB members to operate the trailer moving forward.

**ADJOURN** – It was motioned by Coffman and seconded by Geltmeier to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.