

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Auxiliary of the MPR Volunteer Fire Department,**  
**February 10, 2022**  
**6:00 pm Social/ 6:15 Meeting, Garrett & Mic Hill Event Center**

**Call to Order:** 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Barbara Lynam at 6:20pm

**Members Present:** Olivia, Cindy, Marilyn, Judy, Barbara, Sharla

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the January Meeting - approved

**Treasurer's Report:** prepared by Treasurer Rebecca Hutton (handout) brief review

**Sickness and Distress:** none

**Business:**

**Membership Renewals** – Due now – if you haven't already paid.

**Officer Installation** – postponed until March when most Officers can be present. City Manager Dalton Rice has agreed to officiate the Installation.

**A. Update on Welcome Bags** – Marilyn & Cindy met with City Manager – they provided us with a handout recap of their meeting. The City is working on an update of City information; including a map. Bags will include things like trash collection days, golf cart policy, swimming pool info, Event Center, school information, churches, organizations (get should reach out to ask them each to provide information to include – not just Auxiliary, VFA, COPS – include quilters, artist guild, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.) Include information on parks, tennis court, marina, community center, pool, baseball field, etc. Businesses, Restaurants – flyers/coupons – include those businesses just outside MPR City Limits. Cindy and Marilyn will get with Linda Bridges, Economic Development. Include Special Events – brief description with date/time/location for all annual events held in MPR – Auxiliary, COPS, VFA, City. Get with Tom Edwards to get and include City History and founders. The bags/folders could be distributed from City Hall to new residents as they arrange their water account. The City is all in favor of the Auxiliary bringing back these Welcome Bags/Folders – working with everyone together – other organizations, businesses, EDC, churches – sharing the workload of putting this together for the City to distribute. Timeline could take almost a year to thoroughly get everything finalized. Cindy suggested that we attempt to prepare a brief smaller version to have available at the July 2<sup>nd</sup> Event – we could put out a table to visit with our neighbors.

**B. Auxiliary Events and Involvement 2022** – President, 1<sup>st</sup> VP & 2<sup>nd</sup> VP met with Chief Taran and Chief Sibley to go over the list. (Handout for your records) – Barbara Lynam provided an update from the meeting – we are looking forward to a great year working together. The Fire Department needs a new washer and dryer – Barbara & Karen will talk with Sam's Club. Jeanette will talk with Lowe's.

**C. Fundraiser ALASKA Cruise – Dates August 8-16, 2022.** (handout)

There is still space on the ship, more cabins can be added at the advertised price. April 10<sup>th</sup> is the date that we will need to release rooms at the Hyatt House. We need to have 8 cabins to get the matching funds – we currently have four (4) cabins booked. Marilyn reported regarding billboards and promotion available for free to non-profits.

**D. Cops vs Robbers “Hot on Your Tail 5K” Run and Firehouse Chili Cook-off:** Sharla

Adams (Handouts) Highlights of what’s NEW: New Location/Run Route/Sponsored Directional Signs/Jimbo & City assisting. Confirming area Team Leaders

Solicitations are out to: H-E-B, WalMart, Sam’s Club, MacHaik, Wings, Wineries, Golf Courses, Breweries, Casinos & local businesses.

We will have a Bake Sale, Silent Auction, T-Shirt Sales.

Sharla provided an overview of the re-created, re-designed race; and the 2K walk. Sharla has met with Police regarding the new route; and creating “one way” traffic during the roughly 30 minutes for the race. We need to reach out to adult volunteers for the race route – get name/age/email address to Sharla. Bottled water will be supplied by RVOS Insurance.

Chili Cook-off is “anything goes” tail-gate cooking – for fun, bragging rights, cash & trophies.

**Other Business:** Review of our planned 2022 Activities

Barbara briefed the Auxiliary on the **2023 Valentine Fireman’s Ball**, Billy Holt Band has agreed to play; there will be a Live & Silent Auction.

**Easter Event:** Easter Baskets, stuffed Animals – working with the City.

**Water Aerobics** – Barbara will Team Lead on this – we will plan on having day & evening.

**Garage Sale** – No Clothing or Junk. We have two personal sheds FULL already and have very limited access to the building behind the Safety Center – plus, it is full of police and vfa stuff.

Karen is going to get with City about the possibility of putting another shed at her home – specifically for Auxiliary use.

**November Bake Sale**

**Good of the Order:**

- **March 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting:** Finalize last details on COPS vs ROBBERS
- **April 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting:** Assemble Easter Baskets

**Motion to adjourn made by Sharla, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm**