

# Christmas in Calhoun 2018 Wrap-up Meeting

City Hall, 110 S 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Calhoun NE

January 8, 2019 7:00pm

**Call to Order** at 7:05 pm.

**Present:** Eileen Justus; Lori Lammers; Joan Peterson; Coleen Robinson; Deb Sutherland

**Minutes:** Minutes of the November 27, 2018 meeting were emailed; approved as presented.

**Financial Report:** Christmas in Calhoun has a balance of \$3,289.79 with an additional \$2,500 as a donation for gifts. See Financial Summary, attached.

Food Pantry Donations: Received \$131 and purchased gift cards for Fort Calhoun Christmas food baskets; collected many boxes of canned goods that went to our local Fort Calhoun food pantry.

## Events Feedback:

- Community Building was a good venue especially for Kids Shopping and Cookie Decorating.
- Scavenger Hunt had about 20 teams and was held at the Community Building. It will probably be a more traditional (outside) scavenger hunt next year.
- Fun Run had about 30 runners – perhaps change the registration/start next year.
- Shire Hayrack Rides – had three racks and about 60 people total. Need to discuss whether we want to have again or do something else.
- Gingerbread Contest had 67 entries and 500 votes.

## Kids Shopping:

- Kids Shopping – had 275 children and gave out 550 gifts.
- Coleene and Deb have already purchased 198 men and 290 women's gifts for CinC 2019
- Flyers & schedule should include - Kids Shopping is for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade and younger.
- Need more volunteers for wrapping, stage management and cookie decorating.
- Need medium bags for most gifts and see what type wrapping we need for odd sized gifts.

## Donations:

- Discussed sending donation letters out as early as March due to (other) company donation requirements especially a couple of the larger companies.

## Publicity:

- Keep the same publicity for 2019; mail the CinC Schedule with the December water bill, send with elementary school children and post on bulletin boards around town.
- Other flyers - send with elementary school children and post on bulletin boards.
- Promote giving canned goods

**Future Dates:** Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 7pm – first meeting for Christmas in Calhoun 2019  
Saturday, November 30, 2019 – Tree Lighting in the Park  
Saturday, December 14, 2019 - Christmas in Calhoun

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Lori Lammers

## Christmas in Calhoun 2018

2/1/2018 Starting Balance			\$	2,098.42
<b>Donations</b>				
Abe's Trash Service	\$	600.00		
MCH Health Systems	\$	250.00		
Two Rivers Bank	\$	250.00		
Washington County Bank	\$	150.00		
Flavor-Crisp, Inc.	\$	100.00		
Janecek Fireworks	\$	100.00		
Sievers-Sprick Funeral Home	\$	25.00	\$	1,475.00
<b>Expenses</b>				
Eileen Justus-Gifts 2018		\$	(321.98)	
Deb Sutherland-Gifts 2018		\$	(100.65)	
Longhorn: Scavenger Hunt (Abe's)		\$	(600.00)	
Jensen Shires		\$	(700.00)	
Your Hometown Media		\$	(51.00)	
VISA cards-gift shopping for 2019		\$	(1,010.00)	\$ (2,783.63)
<b>Transfers</b>				
KENO Funds	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00
Total Operating			\$	3,289.79
Presents (Gifts) Donation			\$	2,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b> (ending balance 1/8/2019)			<b>\$</b>	<b>5,789.79</b>
<b>Non-Cash Donations</b>				
Taylor Quik-Pik: Gift Cards (4)	\$	100.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>100.00</b>	

### Note:

Received many boxes of canned food and \$131 in cash donations which were donated to our local Fort Calhoun food bank at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.

Jeanne Knight donated all the decorations for the Community Building plus lights and other donations.