



## SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

**Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014**  
**City Hall Conference Room**  
**4000 Main Street**  
**Rowlett, TX 75088**

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**Present:** Pamela Bell, Michael Britt, Jerome Grossie, Darrell Test, Della Vickers, Charles Gaugler, Susan Bell, Bobbie Jo Kelly

**Absent:** Pauline Dedrick

**Visitors:** Larry and Gaylyn Beckham

**Staff:** Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation Department; and Tammy Dana-Bashian, City Council Liaison

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1. The Chair, Della Vickers, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Quorum was present.
3. Presentation by Public Works – Tim Rogers, Director of Public Works and Robbin Weber, Assistant Director of Public Works.
  - a. T. Rogers shared some of the projects being worked on such as the turn lane work, Westside lift station, lane swap at Rowlett Creek and Miller, etc.
  - b. It was mentioned that anyone can go to the city website and under the Public Works tab can pull up current projects under construction and a PCI street and alley map to obtain information.
  - c. Questions were asked and answers were provided.
4. Consider approving the minutes from November 17, 2014.  
Charles Gaugler motioned to accept the November 17, 2014 minutes. Jerome Grossie seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor to approve minutes by all those members present.
5. Update on Scam Prevention held December 2, 2014.  
D. Vickers reported Chad Caudwell was unable to attend therefore Diane Bell made the presentation and did a fantastic job. There were 15 people in attendance.
6. Review ongoing programs – Della Vickers
  - a. Self Defense to be held 1/13/15 will be open to others besides seniors therefore members need to get the word out to the public.
  - b. In Case of Emergency will be presented by the Rowlett Fire Department and to be held 2/10/15.
  - c. Rowlett VIPS & CERT will present information on volunteer groups and how seniors can get involved. This will be held 3/10/14
  - d. The Senior Health Fair to be held 4/14/15 will begin to be discussed at the January meeting.
  - e. D. Vickers is working on vendor parameters for Travel Fair and will provide to Michael Britt and Darrell Test so they can speak with the local travel agency.
7. Update on reaching out to seniors at local churches.



- a. D. Vickers apologized for not providing feedback to M. Britt regarding the letter and flyer for reaching out to the local churches. She will work on this task.
  - b. D. Vickers voiced that beginning in 2015 the board can further discuss the idea of seeking local churches to adopt a senior.
8. Update from City Council liaison, Tammy Dana-Bashian.
- a. The Lake Pointe warrants for new construction have been approved. Lake Pointe Medical is an important resource for City of Rowlett.
  - b. Kids Kingdom Design Day will be held January 16, 2015 at 6:00pm.
  - c. There will be community meetings held at City Hall in the City Council Chambers on December 16<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm regarding obtaining input to help prioritize the projects for the bond election.
  - d. There will be an event called Carols on Main held on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. This is a free event.
9. Senior concerns.
- C. Gaugler asked about the senior housing tax credits that were brought to attention during the last meeting. T. Dana-Bashian responded with an update on that the City of Rowlett is only able to support one of the two developers that requested the city's support. City Council will support Evergreen.
10. No public Input and questions.
11. Public announcements
- a. J. Stevenson announced all main events are finished for this year. December 22, 2014 there is Lunch with Santa at 11am located at the RCC.
  - b. J. Stevenson provided an update on Scenic Point Park in that construction should begin by February 2015 and basically two phases will be started about the same time. Questions were asked and answers provided.
  - c. D. Vickers commented the boards/commissions volunteer banquet was lovely and appreciated the work city staff did to prepare for this event.
  - d. D. Vickers expressed thanks to all staff who organized and worked the Main Street Fest and Holiday Parade.
  - e. D. Test shared an article about Virtual Abilities in the business section of the newspaper. This article is in reference to a business designed to help retirees stay at home longer and wanted to know if this board would like to pursue more information. After a brief discussion the concern would be the fees in which this board has no funds for such services.
12. No members of the board requested topics for future meetings.
13. J. Grossie motioned for adjournment at 10:50 a.m. and Pamela Bell seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to adjourn.

Della Vickers, Chairman

Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation