



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, April 18, 2016
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75088

Present: Susan Bell, Michael Britt, Charles Gaugler, Jerome Grossie, Kim Lott, Darrell Test, Della Vickers

Absent: Pamela Bell, Bobbie Jo Kelly

Visitors: Larry Beckham, Gaylynn Beckham

Staff: Tammy Dana-Bashian, City Council liaison; Jill Beam, Senior Recreation Leader; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation

1. The Chair, Della Vickers, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Quorum was present.
3. Consider action to approve March 21, 2016 minutes.
 - A. Jerome Grossie motioned to accept.
 - B. Mike Britt seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Police Department - Mike Brodnax, Police Chief
 - A. Information on secret shopper scams introduced; He mentioned I-phones aren't as susceptible to viruses with email attachments so opening emails on I-phones was suggested.
 - B. He briefly spoke on tornado disaster recovery, manpower within the Police Department and the hiring strategies for the needs of the city, response times on calls, preparations for ice on roads, monitoring I-30, police dogs, crime within the city, publicity, new scanning system to be implemented soon, purchasing a new traffic managing system, 911 calls and working on redefining emergencies.
 - C. Questions asked and answers provided.
5. Update on senior transportation program.

Angela Smith stated March numbers consisted of 5 unique riders and 56 trips so increasing since the program began.
6. Further discuss the idea of a Senior Friendly Business Award.
 - A. Michael Britt introduced a proposal for the criteria in order for a business to be considered for this annual award. The award can be presented during a City Council meeting.
 - B. The process was discussed such as the sub-committee will search potential business recipients then select the three top businesses to be honored. The three nominations will be presented to the board who will select one for the annual award.
 - C. Darrell Test motioned to accept the proposal for Senior Friendly Business Award with one exception to add the word "providing services" on the plaque and also to implement the process for this year.

Susan Bell seconded the motion.

Approved 5 - 0.



- D. Sub-committee will work on compiling a list of business nominees.
7. Update on Health Fair held April 12, 2016.
 - A. D. Vickers reported the Health Fair was success and had approximately 125 attendees. There were 43 vendors registered in which 39 vendors were present.
 - B. D. Vickers requested if next year if more tables could be available to accommodate.
 - C. Board members may need to decide what factors may deem a vendor to not be invited back the following year.
 - D. The biggest complaint is the parking availability. Next year likely need to consider a section in the back parking lot for vendors and using vendor parking passes.
8. Review ongoing programs - Della Vickers
 - A. Medicare program will be held in September 2016.
 - B. Scam program will be held in October 2016.
 - C. Independent School District/s to possibly be held in November. Briefly discussed obtaining speaker/s for this program.
9. Plan for the City Council joint meeting with Senior Advisory Board scheduled for June 7, 2016.
 - A. Members were reminded of this meeting and encouraged to attend this meeting.
 - B. Information to include in the presentation for City Council was discussed.
 - C. Determined there needs to be further discussion on budgetary items such as cost for a feasibility study of a permanent Senior Center or Senior Space at the RCC.
 - D. This topic will be on next month's agenda to firm up the presentation to present.
10. Update from City Council liaison, Tammy Dana-Bashian. Tammy Dana-Bashian was unable to be present therefore Mayor Todd Gottel provided updates.
 - A. Reported the water meter audit is complete and the results were presented during the last City Council meeting but if members didn't have an opportunity to hear the results nothing was found wrong with the meters. There was a discussion if City of Rowlett should change the rating structure for water and Council decided to hold a public hearing specific to this topic in order to receive citizen input. Members were encouraged to attend the public meeting.
 - B. There will be a discussion on senior tax exemption in near future.
11. No senior concerns.
12. No Public Input or questions.
13. No public announcements
14. No members of the board requested topics for future meetings.
15. Adjournment at 11:55 a.m.

Della Vickers, Chair

Angela Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation