



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, July 16th, 2012

City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75088

Present: Bobbie Jo Kelly, Sue Watkins, Lloyd Copeland, Jerry Daniels, Fred Cares, Della Vickers, Susan Bell, Pamela Bell

Absent: Jerome Grossie

Staff: Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation, Sebrena Smith, Senior Administrative Assistant, Dianne Jones, Recreation Programmer, Angie Smith, Recreation Division Manager.

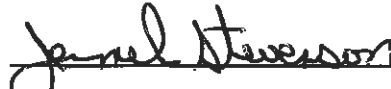
1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.
2. Quorum was present.
3. Motion brought forth by Della V. to approve minutes from the June, 2012 regular meeting. Sue W. seconded motion, 5-0 approval.
4. Speaker Lynda Humble, City Manager discussed procedures considering auditing of the city budget. The senior budget is under the umbrella of the Parks and Recreation budget. Each year a 3rd party independent auditor comes in to review all aspects of our budget and financial system. Lynda stated that each year the auditors have given the city a good report and that there isn't further need to audit the senior budget. Lynda asked about the concerns they are having with their budget. They voiced concerns over a few various items that are being purchased and they would like more detail about what these items are being purchased for or being used for; such as paper products and senior trips. Lynda shared that if they have any questions about items that they can see the receipts for questionable items anytime and to consult Jermel or Angie with their concerns.
5. Speaker Jim Grabenhorst, Economic Development Director spoke with the board giving an overview of all the new things happening in the Economic Development Department and the challenges with the downturn in our economy. Mr. Grabenhorst shared that recovery is in a positive mode with job creation. He shared that there 2 CVS Pharmacies that are building here, and also several restaurants are being built such as Applebee's and Raising Cain. There are several other projects going on with Stonebridge Veterinary at Chiesa and Liberty Grove and Discount Tire at the Hwy 66 and 190 areas.
6. Special Events/Marketing staff member Sarah Morgan introduction tabled until next meeting.
7. Bobbie Jo asked for volunteers to attend the Senior Advisory Board's table at the volunteer fair being held at the Community Centre on July 26th @ 7:00 pm. Sue Watkins, Lloyd Copeland, Fred Cares and Bobbie Jo Kelly agreed to attend and help. This is the third annual volunteer fair and last year the SAB had a PowerPoint presentation and video set up. Bobbie Jo asked for copies of the senior resource list



and if they have any left at the Community Centre. The board would like to have at least 50 copies of the resource flyer for the fair.

8. Bobbie Jo reviewed all of the upcoming programs:
 - a. Identity Theft and Fraud, August 28th, 2012
 - b. What's Hot in Medicare and Social Security, September 4th, 2012?
 - c. Senior computer classes begin in September, 2012.
9. Senior Concerns:
 - a. Bobbie Jo asked about having more senior parking spaces at the Community Centre.
10. Director's Report given by Jermel Stevenson.
 - a. Jermel shared with the board that the Parks and Recreation Department is applying for a grant from the Texas Parks & Wildlife with a deadline date of August 1st. This would be for Scenic Point Park's nature trails and canoe launch. The maximum grant amount that could be awarded is \$100,000.
 - b. The 3rd Annual Boards and Commissions Volunteer Fair will be held on Thursday, July 26th, 2012 at the Community Centre at 7:00 pm. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about the volunteer opportunities available within the city.
 - c. The kick off of Parks and Recreation month was the production of Fireworks on Main held on Wednesday, July 4th in downtown Rowlett. The JD Cobb Band (southern rock and variety band) and Blaze of Glory (Bon Jovi cover band) performed beginning at 5:00 pm. Activities included food vendors, bounce houses, a Euro bungee, face painting, and vendor booths; and a 20 minute fireworks show which began at 9:30 pm. Another community feature this year was the acknowledgement of Marquise Goodwin. Marquise won the Olympic Trials in the long jump with 27 ft. 4 inches in Eugene, Oregon and will now represent The United States of America. This year's event attendance was approximately 12,000 people.
 - d. Evergreen Senior Living Center. This age restricted senior housing project is proposed to be located at the corner of Kenwood and HW 66. On February 7th, 2012 Council approved a resolution in support of the project with the understanding that support of the project does not indicate approval of a rezoning request and all required approvals will be required prior to constructing the project. At this time the applicant is moving forward with the Planned Development zoning request based on the State's funding processes and timelines.
11. Members of the board may request topics for future agenda meetings. No member of the board or commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on a posted agenda.
12. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 11:38 pm.


Bobbie Jo Kelly, Chair


Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation