



## SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

**Monday, November 16, 2015**  
**City Hall Conference Room**  
**4000 Main Street**  
**Rowlett, TX 75088**

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

**Absent:** Susan Bell

**Visitors:** Larry and Gaylynn Beckham, Linda Mackey

**Staff:** Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation Department; 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. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2015-2016.
  - A. Della Vickers was nominated for Chair. All in favor. D. Vickers accepted the nomination.
  - B. Pamela Bell was nominated for Vice-Chair. All in favor. P. Bell accepted the nomination.
4. Consider approving the minutes from October 19, 2015.
  - A. Darrell Test motioned to accept.
  - B. Pamela Bell seconded the motion.
  - C. Approved 6 - 0.
5. Public Library Department - Philip Barott, Tech Support Service.
  - A. P. Barott reminded members the library's new location is 5702 Rowlett Road.
  - B. Due to a smaller building there are public computers but not a specific lab for computer sessions to be held. One on one sessions can still be arranged. Information on shared electronic resource support was provided such as different training video tutorials on Microsoft, google, apple, adobe, etc.
  - C. The department recently developed a Facebook page and will be posting on a daily basis.
  - D. The catalogue page was reviewed.
  - E. There is a library task force and members are working on the future library.
  - F. The library is looking for volunteers in the morning on Tuesday and Thursdays.
6. Update on Medicare Program held November 10, 2015.

D. Vickers reported the presenter, Cordell Reynolds, did a fantastic job of providing information. There were 32 attendees.
7. Review ongoing programs - Della Vickers
  - A. Gmac Financial will present for the Social Security program to be held December 8, 2015.
  - B. Dates for upcoming programs are: January 13, 2016 Self Defense; February 10, 2016 Financial Fair; March 8, 2016 Emergency Preparedness; and April 14, 2016 Health Fair.
  - C. Members discussed moving the educational programs to an earlier time due to the new transportation service starting in January. Michael Britt motioned to request the



educational program time be changed to beginning at 9:30am starting December 8, 2015. Bobbie Jo Kelly seconded the motion.

8. Discuss January 18, 2016 meeting to be held January 25, 2016 due to a holiday. After a brief discussion the meeting will be held January 11, 2016 at 10:00am.
9. Goals for 2015-2016
  - A. Members reviewed and discussed the suggested goals from last meeting and made additions.
    - A. Implement senior programming.
    - B. Transportation for seniors.
    - C. Provide seniors with relevant education.
      - Health Fair
      - Emergency Preparedness
      - Self Defense
      - Financial Concerns
      - Medicare/Social Security
      - Scams
    - D. Improve communication for seniors
      - Transportation
      - Resources
      - Programs
    - E. Review and advise on the senior budget
    - F. Advise on safe access to the Rowlett Community Centre
    - G. Senior Center recommendations potentially for the next bond election
  - B. Kelly motioned to adopt these goals for year 2015-2016. Michael Britt seconded the motion. Approved 6 - 0.
  - B. Members discussed advertising for the new senior transportation service which resulted in requesting a flyer to be distributed through the utility billing in January 2016, to request information be placed in the city newsletter as well as Larry Beckham's newsletter.
10. Discuss the board's description in the Boards and Commission Handbook and make recommendations if changes are deemed necessary for City Council.
  - A. Proposed changes to the description from last meeting were made and sent to members. Members were asked for feedback and briefly discussed.
  - B. D. Test motioned to accept the changes to Senior Advisory Board description. B. Kelly seconded the motion. Approved 6 - 0.
11. Update from City Council liaison, Tammy Dana-Bashian  
No updates at this time.
12. No senior concerns.
13. Public Input and questions.
  - A. Larry Beckham shared SCOR is hosting a Medicare program at the Rowlett Community Centre on November 17, 2015.
  - B. L. Beckham voiced the Senior Citizens of Rowlett has funds which can help seniors in need with electric bills, a new household appliance, food, etc.



- C. L. Beckham asked if any information has been relayed in regards to the DART passes for seniors, although he is waiting to hear back from Erin Jones with the Economic Development Services.
14. Public announcements
- A. D. Vickers announced on November 19, 2015 at 8:30am located at Rowlett Community Centre is a come & go breakfast to meet the new part-time senior staff person, Jill Beam.
  - B. Shelly Monroe mentioned the Annual Volunteer and Boards/Commission Banquet is December 3<sup>rd</sup> located at Rowlett Community Centre beginning at 6:30pm.
15. No members of the board requested topics for future meetings.
16. D. Test motioned for adjournment at 11:00 a.m. and P. Bell seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to adjourn.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Della Vickers".

Della Vickers, Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angela Smith".

Angela Smith, Recreation Division Manager