



## SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

**Monday, March 19, 2018**  
**City Hall Conference Room**  
**4000 Main Street**  
**Rowlett, TX 75088**

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**Present:** Patricia Bird, Virginia Denson, Janie Lossman, Pam McKissick, Rob Rose, Michael Britt, Susan Bell

**Absent:** Charles Gaugler

**Visitors:** Jim McKissick, Gaylynn Beckham, Larry Beckham

**Staff:** Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Pamela Bell, City Council liaison; Mark McAvoy, Assistant City Manager; Paul Stevens, Deputy Assistant City Manager; Shawn Poe, Director of Public Works; Laura Hallmark, City Secretary; Neil Howard, Fire Chief; Ricky Harris, Parks & Recreation Operations Manager; Rachel Wolpert, Recreation Supervisor

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1. The Chair, Rob Rose, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am
  2. Quorum was present.
  3. Consider action to approve February 19, 2018 minutes.
    - A. Patricia Bird made a motion to accept the minutes as written.
    - B. Michael Britt seconded the motion.
    - C. Approved 4 - 0.
  4. Rowlett Strategic Plan and Comprehensive Plan - Imagine Rowlett.

Paul Stevens introduced Imagine Rowlett and the plans will focus on the City's core vision and build upon the knowledge and success of the 2011 Comprehensive Plan, Realize Rowlett 2020. Stakeholder input is crucial to this process. Citizens can participate by completing the online survey via a computer or cell phone device and can be accessed through <https://clients.freese.com/RowlettCompPlan/>. The first town hall meeting will be held March 22, 2018 from 6pm to 8pm located at the Rowlett Community Centre. Board members were encouraged to help advertise, attend and advocate. There will be several poster boards throughout the city that persons can use to jot their ideas on their vision for Rowlett in 10 to 20 years. A senior community focus group will be held March 21, 2018 from 2pm to 4pm at City Hall.
  5. Community Investment Advisory Board presentation on 2018 Bond Election.
    - A. Presented some brief history of how the Community Investment Advisory Board originated, their goals and strategy for success. Reviewed their ranking criteria system.
    - B. There are three propositions. Proposition A is for paving and drainage improvements for \$41.47 million; Proposition B is for parks, trails and open space for \$8.955 million; Proposition C is for public safety and facility improvements for \$9.485 million. City Council approved for the call of an election in May. There is no tax increase and each proposition stands on its own.

- C. Future bonding capacity was explained. Projects that didn't make the list for the 2018 Bond Election will still be on an ongoing 5-year CIP with a long -term outlook, CASH CIP will continue to fund smaller projects and repairs, etc.
  - D. Briefly reviewed an update on the 2015 Bond Election projects and the goal is to have all projects completed under construction by end of 2018.
  - E. Public meetings will be held although information can be found on the city website and there is a page dedicated to the 2018 Bond Election. Important milestones and dates are 1) Outreach during March and April; 2) Information meetings to be held on April 5, 2018 and April 19, 2018 at 6:00pm; 3) Early voting can be done April 23, 2018 through May 1, 2018; 4) Election will be held on May 5, 2018; 5) Issuance of bonds will be late summer 2018. Newsletters will be mailed and there will be handouts for distribution soon. There will be information sent in a future utility bill. Members can share information on social media and with any groups in connection.
6. Update on Smartphone seminar held March 13, 2018.  
Patricia Bird reported 35 persons attend this seminar and the information was very helpful.
7. Health Fair Planning for April 10, 2018.
- A. The flyer was sent to each board member and if members need hard copies to inform Shelly Monroe. A-frame signs will be placed at a few intersections next week. A notice will be sent by the phone system the day before the Health Fair.
  - B. Rob Rose passed around a sign-up sheet for members assisting with the event.
  - C. Rob Rose stated 42 vendors are booked for this Health Fair with the need of 43 tables. Vendors on the wait list were contacted and have opportunity to participate. A follow up letter will be sent to vendor regarding the rules and information.
8. Discuss ideas for seminars for Fall 2018 and changing the start time.
- A. Discussion on ideas for upcoming seminars was held. A decision needs to be made and speakers confirmed prior to May 25, 2018 in order to be printed in the Lakeside Leisure. Results for September - November are Library Programs, Crime Watch/Community Policing, DART Services. Investment Education and Senior Living were two other ideas.
  - B. R. Rose presented the idea of changing the seminar times from 10:00am to 1:00pm due to senior activity times conflicting with seminar times. Rachel Wolpert, Recreation Supervisor, stated there would be a room available for this time change. Susan Bell made a motion to change the 10am seminar start time to 1pm start time. Patricia Bird seconded the motion. Approved 3 to 1.
9. Senior Program updates.
- A. Jill Beam, Senior Programmer is retiring March 28, 2018. The month of April will be a transition month for the classes. Considerations being made to possibly certify another person to teach Drumba.
  - B. Senior trip to Arboretum takes place this Thursday and DART will be main transportation.
  - C. Senior Care sponsored St. Patrick's Day party last week and all who attended seemed to enjoy themselves.



- D. Scott and White Health Plan will hold a seminar on Health Issues to be held Monday, March 26, 2018 at 9:00am.
10. Updates from City Councilmember, Pamela Bell.
- A. Scentral Bark Dog park's grand opening was held this past Saturday and there was approximately 250 in attendance.
  - B. Easter Egg Hunt event will be held this Saturday from 10am-12pm and Pup-A-Palooza will be on Sunday at Scentral Bark.
  - C. Keep Rowlett Beautiful Great American Clean Up and a recycle day will be held on May 5, 2018.
  - D. There is a City Council meeting tomorrow night. Members were encouraged to help spread the word about the 2018 Bond Election and to be aware of the public meetings.
  - E. On March 6, 2018 City Council approved a resolution to accept the deeds to the property on 6301 Chiesa Road. Dallas County and GISD's have some stipulations but this is still a work in progress.
11. Senior concerns.  
No senior concerns.
12. Public Input or questions.  
No public input or questions.
13. Public announcements. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events.  
No public announcements.
14. Members of the board may request topics for future meetings.  
No new topics identified.
14. Adjournment
- A. Susan Bell motioned for adjournment at 11:36 a.m.
  - B. Michael Britt seconded the motion.  
Unanimous vote in favor to adjourn.

Rob Rose, Chair

Ricky Harris, Parks & Recreation Operation Manager