



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, October 15, 2018
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75088

Present: Patricia Bird, Virginia Denson, Rob Rose, Michael Britt, Susan Bell, Alberta Reese
Absent:
Visitors: Veda Kull, Brownie Sherrill, Debby Bobbitt, Chris Bunkoff
Staff: Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Rachel Wagner, Recreation Supervisor; Pamela Bell, City Council Liaison

1. The Chair, Rob Rose, called the meeting to order at 10:00am
2. Quorum was present.
3. Administered the Oath of Office and the Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer to the newly appointed members.
4. Consider action to approve September 17, 2018 minutes.
 - A. Michael Britt made a motion to accept the minutes as written.
 - B. Susan Bell seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 5 - 0.
5. Elect Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2018-2019.
 - A. Susan Bell nominated Michael Britt for Vice Chair. Michael Britt accepted the nomination. Virginia seconded the nomination. Michael Britt was elected as Vice Chair. Approved 5 to 0.
 - B. Michael Britt nominated Rob Rose for Chairman. Rob Rose accepted the nomination. Susan Bell seconded the nomination. Rob Rose was elected as the Chairman. Approved 5 - 0.
6. Library Service presentation. (Patricia Bird entered)
 - A. Philip Barott mentioned the library is looking at more streaming options. Mark Twain statue has returned to the new location along with most of the furniture.
 - B. A few programs were introduced. Trunk or Treat will be held on October 27, 2018 in the parking lot across the street from the library. Senior Book Club is coming to an end for the year and a new book club called the Main Street Book Club will start at the beginning of the new year.
 - C. Donated books can be brought in at any time but limit to two boxes. The process for donated books was explained.
 - D. The only tech program offered right now is one on one sessions. Various information on smart phone, basic computer programs, Craig's list, eBay, and so forth can be reviewed. Library purchased some lap tops and will work on getting group sessions open again. RB Digital platform has magazines.



- E. Hoopla is an online system and library members can access music, books, and movies for free. Hoopla can be accessed through the library website. An account will need to be created for Hoopla.
7. Orientation for newly appointed members.
Angela Smith reported the orientation will be postponed to the November meeting since new board members appointed and present for that upcoming meeting.
8. Senior Program Updates.
 - A. Rachel Wagner reiterated the plans for the DART passes and reported some issues were shared with DART. Due to these reported issues the addition of a third Go Link bus is being added today. Since the start of this new program 499 passes were distributed to 76 persons. Members who have passes were encouraged to use the passes by the end of the year. Michael Britt inserted how nice it is to hear so many persons accessing the free transportation.
 - B. The trip to Dallas Museum of Arts and the aquarium will be on October 16, 2018 and the trip to the State Fair will be on October 18, 2018. The reason a person needs to register for a trip is because the number of participants need to be tracked. November Pot Luck will be the same event as the November Feast and the normal \$5 fee for pot luck lunch will not apply.
 - C. The creative writing class is successful and next class will be November 13, 2018.
9. Update on Library Presentation held October 9, 2018.
Patricia Bird reported there were 11 persons in attendance. Due the rainy weather this day the attendance was lower than anticipated. The presentation was excellent and very informational.
10. Upcoming programs and Identifying educational seminars for 2019.
 - A. Home Defense - Eyes of Rowlett Program will be held November 13, 2018 and presented by Rowlett Police Department.
 - B. A list of past seminars was provided as information while members were considering future seminars. The Health Fair will be April 9, 2019. January 8th, February 12th, and March 12th are the dates set for seminars held in the spring. Start time will continue to be 1:00pm. Some of the topics for presentation identified were Scams, Smartphone, Get Your House in Order, IRS - taxes, financial planning, estate planning, emergency preparedness, and DART. Members decided upon 1) Scams 2) Get Your House in Order and 3) IRS- taxes for the next seminars. Members will seek possible speakers for these identified topics. This item will remain on next month's agenda.
11. Begin discussion on goals for 2018-2019.
Angela Smith suggested for members to be prepared at the next meeting to discuss goals for this upcoming year.
12. Updates from City Council member, Pamela Bell.
 - A. The interviews for Senior Advisory Board will be completed before November 6, 2018.
 - B. Last Tuesday, Planning and Zoning declined the townhome project on Miller Road



- and Rowlett Road.
- C. City Council denied Bayside's new proposal.
 - D. A Townhall meeting will be held October 22, 2018 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Rowlett Community Centre. This is an open forum.
 - E. Terra Lago's Grand Opening will be held on October 25, 2018.
 - F. During the City Council work session tomorrow there will be a presentation from the Rowlett Housing Finance Corporation about a proposed affordable single-family cluster housing initiative.
 - G. Call Fire Department to register for CPR class will be held October 20, 2018 and cost is \$20.
 - H. Scarecrows are set out on Main Street.
 - I. Early voting begins October 22, 2018.
 - J. Daylight savings time is November 4, 2018.
13. Senior concerns.
No senior concerns.
14. Public Input or questions.
- A. Chris Bunkoff shared that Go Link has been transporting to and from Life Message with seniors for the pickup of food, etc. He believes the passes are assisting the seniors. On weekends individuals can pay \$10 and get shopping cart full of house items excluding furniture. The Life Message Golf Tournament is rescheduled for November 10, 2018 due to a rain out.
 - B. Brownie Sherrill announced October 27, 2018 is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day which allows for expired or unwanted medications to be dropped off from 10:00am -2:00pm at Rowlett Community Centre with the Rowlett Police Department.
15. Public announcements. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events.
- A. Camp Fear is scheduled for October 26th - 27th. Registration is open for camping. A Trunk or Treat will be held in the parking lot which is open to the public with a day pass. Volunteers are welcome.
 - B. The Market Fest was rescheduled due to rain out.
16. Members of the board may request topics for future meetings.
No topics requested.
17. Adjournment
- A. Susan Bell motioned for adjournment at 11:27am.
 - B. Michael Britt seconded the motion.
- Unanimous vote in favor to adjourn.

Rob Rose, Chair

Angela Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation