



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, January 13, 2020
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75088

Present: Rob Rose, Alberta Reese, Kenneth Williams, Patricia Bird, Veda Kull, Karen Cosby, Virginia Denson, Michael Britt, Susan Bell

Absent: Chris Del Regno

Visitors: Brownie Sherrill, Richard Kull

Staff: Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Pamela Bell, City Council Liaison; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant

1. The Chair, Rob Rose, called the meeting to order at 10:02am
2. Quorum present.
3. Consider action to approve December 16, 2019 minutes.
 - A. Susan Bell made a motion to accept the minutes as written.
 - B. Patricia Bird seconded the motion.
 - C. Approved 7 - 0.
4. Citizens' Input.

No input for this meeting.
5. 2020 Census Committee update. (Alberta Reese entered)

Veda Kull indicated she is a member of the 2020 Census Committee and this committee will work with different groups in the community to help bring awareness. A request to make a 5 minutes presentation during the Senior Advisory Board February seminar was made. In order to do this extra information needs to be placed on the flyer such as "census info will be provided". It was suggested the presentation follow the seminar information in case some attendees are not interested in staying for the information. Members unanimously agreed to allow this brief census information sharing at the seminar.
6. Community Development Presentation. (Veda Kull exited)
 - A. Munal Mauladad, Development Services Director, introduced Janet Tucker, Service Manager. A description of each Community Development division was provided. While speaking about the Inspection division, a video on water heater dangers was shown to help explain why inspections are important. Neighborhood Services involves environmental health which includes food establishment activity. Reviewed the Interlocal Agreements with Dallas County and City of Garland regarding household hazardous waste, mosquitoes, and public health clinic. Janet Tucker provided mosquito dunks and spray for members.
 - B. Neighborhood programs exist for alley improvements, Salvation Arm Utility Assistance, rental inspections, dangerous buildings, etc. Code Enforcement has



- goals to improve livability and ensure safety. The types of code enforcement are environmental, nuisance, life safety, and zoning. The processes were explained.
- C. Animal Services: Animal Shelter has 99% placement rate and the perks for Rowlett seniors age 60+ is that pet registration is free along with a reduced adoption rate of \$55. Brownie Sherrill announced the shelter is in need of dog houses and the houses can be purchased on Amazon for \$90, as well as he will be glad to put it together.
 - D. Municipal Engineering includes two sections: 1) Planning which covers rezoning, site development and plan review, platting, long range planning and urban design; 2) Engineering covers design and construction of city-owned facilities, traffic signs/signals/pavement markings, floodplain management, storm water management, as well as inspect construction. Explained the different between form-based code and Euclidean zoning.
7. AARP Livable Communities application and survey update.
- A. Angela Smith reported the City of Rowlett has been selected as a member of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities as of January 2020. The Parks and Recreation Department is working with the Senior Advisor of AARP Livable Communities on arrangements to speak with their research team regarding the survey. A survey test link will be sent to the department within a week then the link will be ready to go live. On February 4, 2020 Susan Williams, AARP Associate State Director of Outreach and Advocacy, will present the certificate to the City of Rowlett. Susan Williams is working on a press release for the local paper.
 - B. A distribution list for the survey was discussed. This outreach list will need to ensure representation of the diversity of our community.
8. Upcoming seminars: Self Defense on January 14, 2020; Smart Home on February 11, 2020; Streaming 101 on March 10, 2020; Health Fair on April 14, 2020.
- A. January 14th will be Self Defense seminar and the presenter is secured.
 - B. Patricia Bird spoke with a couple vendors but not able to secure one for the Smart Home seminar. Members discussed how to move forward.
9. Discuss preparational planning for Health Fair to be held April 14, 2020.
- Virginia Denson and Alberta Reese will send a letter to the vendors who participated last year to find out if they want to participate again this year. Updates will be provided at the next meeting.
10. Updates from City Council member, Pamela Bell.
- A. The 2020 HOA legal clinic will be held on March 7, 2020 and basic information on this event was provided.
 - B. City Council elections are now open and there three positions are on the poll.
 - C. The library director, Kathy Freiheit, retired and the interim director is Laura Tschoerner. Rowlett Library is working on an activity for Martin Luther King Day for children ages 6 to 12.
 - D. A Town Hall meeting will be held January 28, 2020 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at the Rowlett Community Centre.
 - E. City Academy begins on January 23, 2020 and these will be afternoon classes from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Food will be provided.



F. Hwy 66 median renovation through Green Ribbon Project is still being maintained by a contractor through TxDOT. The maintenance plan for the city will not be renewed until the medians are complete.

11. Senior concerns.

Rob Rose asked if the RCC monthly calendar could include end time. Angela Smith said there just isn't much room on the calendar or the print will be extremely small. Rob Rose inquired why the seminars aren't listed on the monthly calendar. Angela Smith stated she will get with Jason Aguirre, Senior Programmer.

12. Public announcements. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events.

No announcements made for this meeting.

13. Members of the board may request topics for future meetings.

Rob Rose requested to discuss this board having a banner.

16. Adjournment.

Susan Bell made a motion to adjourn at 11:31am.

Virginia Denson seconded the motion.

Unanimous by all those present to adjourn.

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Rob Rose, Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Angela Smith", written over a horizontal line.

Angela Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation