



## SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, March 21st, 2011

City Hall Conference Room  
4000 Main Street  
Rowlett, TX 75088

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**Present:** Bobbie Jo Kelly, Jerome Grossie, Bonnie Patterson, Lloyd Copeland, Robert Camack, Sue Watkins, Fred Cares

**Absent:** N/A

**Visitors:** Jessica Lennon, DART, David Shappard, DART, Lawrence Meshack, DART, Dawn Dorman, DART, Darren Rajatski, DART

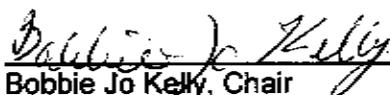
**Staff:** Jermel Stevenson, Parks & Recreation Director, Sebrena Smith, Senior Administrative Assistant, Keshia Randle, Recreation Division Manager, Kendrick Foster, Recreation Aide

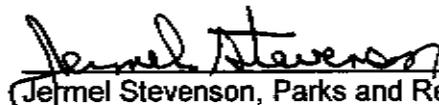
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1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.
2. Alternate member Sue Watkins moved up as regular voting member.
3. Minutes read to Board by Sebrena Smith. Motion by Robert Camack to approve minutes with corrections from January regular meeting and February work session minutes. Jerome Grossie seconded motion, 5-0 in approval.
4. Bobbie Jo Kelly introduced speaker Dawn Dorman, Community Affairs Representative for DART.
  - a. DART representatives gave power point presentation to the board explaining services that are available to seniors and to all Rowlett citizens.
  - b. Mr. Dorman educated seniors on difference programs and introduced different members with DART; to discuss other programs available and to give updates on construction.
  - c. Jessica Lennon presented education piece on how to use fixed route services. Majority of our outreach is at schools, seniors, and other adult classes. We set up exhibits at community events.
  - d. David Shappard presented information concerning the paratransit system with DART. Paratransit is only for riders that have a disability and they must go through an application process with DART to access these services.
5. Jermel discussed with the board the upcoming Sustainability Program presentation by Lynda Humble, City Manager. This survey is for Rowlett citizens and we would really like to have each board member, family, and friends give their input at the upcoming April board meeting.
6. Subcommittee updates:
  - a. Robert Camack shared with board that everything is set up and on time for the Update Your Will Program. Please gather your questions and write them down. We have asked Larry Beckham to put this on the website.



- b. Larry Beckham gave update on Communication Avenues for seniors. We have had one negative issue and one positive issue over the last week. Donna Huerta retired and she was a valuable source for information for the seniors; she will truly be missed. Denise Perrin will be handling some of our information. Channel 16 will also be exhibiting the senior events.
  - c. Senior Health Fair subcommittee meeting will be Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am at the Community Centre.
  - d. Larry shared that the Health Fair is at full capacity; we can't have anymore vendors. Please place flyers out into the community at doctor's offices, businesses, and restaurants.
7. Keshia reviewed the senior budget for January and February.
  8. Jermel Stevenson shared with the board the Director's Report:
    - a. Diversity Day: Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1 pm at the Community Centre.
    - b. Kid's Fish: Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9 am at Community Park.
    - c. Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10 am at Pecan Grove Park.
    - d. Puppapalooza: Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2 pm at Pecan Grove Park.
  9. Public Announcement. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No member of the board or commission may discuss nor take any action with regard to the announcements.
  10. 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.
  11. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 11:35 a.m.

  
Bobbie Jo Kelly, Chair

  
Jermel Stevenson, Parks and Recreation Director