



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday, August 17th, 2015
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75088

Present: Susan Bell, Pamela Bell, Bobbie Jo Kelly, Della Vickers, Michael Britt
Absent: Darrell Test, Pauline Detric, Charles Gaugler, Jerome Grossie
Visitors: Larry and Gaylynn Beckham
Staff: Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation Department; Brian Funderburk, City Manager; Jim Proce, Assistant City Manager

1. **The Chair, Della Vickers, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.**
2. **Quorum was present.**
3. **Consider approving the minutes from July 20, 2015.**
Bobbie Jo Kelly motioned to accept the July 20, 2015 minutes. Pamela Bell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor to approve minutes.
4. **City Manager's Office – Brian Funderburk and Jim Proce**
 - a. **B. Funderburk began the presentation discussing the 2016 budget as well as reviewing the 2015 budget.**
 - b. **Information on 2015 current sustainability strategies and the significance of the purchase of Bayside were presented.**
 - c. **Economic Development's three high quality projects were identified as Homestead at Liberty Grove, Terra Lago, and Harmony Hills.**
 - d. **The cumulative change in taxable value from FY2010 – FY2015, as well as in FY2016 the city will continue to gain tax value with an increase of 9.6%. He further explained that while the tax value from the growth is significant the increase actually comes from the existing market. A breakdown of residential and commercial property tax information was review in order to show what it means for Rowlett.**
 - e. **Sustainability challenges, Community Enhancements and Amenities, and the 5 year plan were described.**
 - f. **The Senior "Quality of Life" Priorities including the part-time senior programmer and inter-local agreement with STAR to provide transportation to Rowlett Community Centre were further explained.**
 - g. **General concepts related to four issues were shared with members to include the health of the utility fund, funding for infrastructure, additional funds for allocation and capitol bond program.**
 - h. **It was announced there will be Public Hearings on August 18th and September 1st. City Council will have work sessions on August 17th and 18th.**
 - i. **Questions asked and answers provided.**
 - j. **D. Vickers expressed gratitude for City Council listening to the seniors' needs and taking steps to address some of those needs.**
5. **Review ongoing programs – Della Vickers**
 - a. **Travel Fair will be held September 1st and hosted by AAA. The last time she had contact with AAA thirteen vendors were registered to participate. AAA is also doing their own advertising.**



- b. Financial Series: first presentation to be held October 13, 2015 and the presenter is from Edward Jones Investments. The presentation is "You're Retired but Your Money Isn't".
 - c. The Lakeside Leisure has a Medicare program announced for November 10th and a brief discussion was held about finding a speaker.
 - d. December 8th is a program for Social Security such as any recent changes, overview of insurance options, etc.
6. No Senior concerns.
 7. No Public Input and questions.
 8. Public announcements
 - a. Jermel Stevenson explained further on the spider infestation due to the publicity. The webs are located on property near Lakeside Park. The Department is working with Wildlife and Fishery experts as well as keeping Dallas informed.
 - b. D. Vickers provided an informal handout describing this board's responsibilities, members and time commitment. This information was available at the Annual Boards and Commissions Volunteer Fair. Members were asked to take a few copies to share with others to help explain what the Senior Advisory Board does.
 9. No members of the board requested topics for future meetings.
 10. Susan Bell motioned for adjournment at 9:51 a.m. and P. Bell seconded the motion. Unanimous vote in favor to adjourn.

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Della Vickers, Chair

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Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation