



## SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

**Monday, May 16, 2016**  
**City Hall Conference Room**  
**4000 Main Street**  
**Rowlett, TX 75088**

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**Present:** Pamela Bell, Susan Bell, Michael Britt, Charles Gaugler, Jerome Grossie, Kim Lott, Darrell Test, Della Vickers

**Absent:** Bobbie Jo Kelly

**Visitors:** Larry Beckham, Gaylynn Beckham, Linda Richard, Debby Bobbitt

**Staff:** Tammy Dana-Bashian, City Council liaison; Jill Beam, Senior Recreation Leader; Shelly Monroe, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant; Angela Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jim Grabenhorst, Economic Development Director; Marc Kurbansade, Director of Development Services; Nathan Weber, Economic Development Specialist.

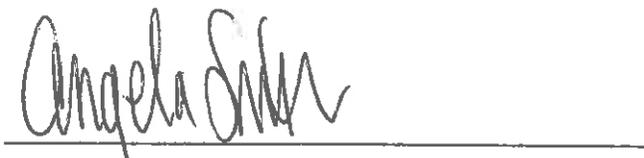
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1. The Chair, Della Vickers, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Quorum was present.
3. Consider action to approve April 18, 2016 minutes.
  - A. Jerome Grossie motioned to accept.
  - B. Pamela Bell seconded the motion.
  - C. Approved 5 - 0.
4. Economic Development and Planning Department
5.
  - A. Marc Kurbansade introduced new staff, Katy Goodrich, who is in charge of the DART passes. Department is in initial discussions with City Council if this expense should be included in future CDBG funds due to the administrative costs to implement the . There are no income requirements to receive DART passes, there is no expiration, and a pass is good for one day. \$5000 was allocated for DART passes and thus far \$900 has been spent. Brief discussion about DART transportation service area and basically their standpoint is presently is there is not enough need in demand to expand service area. City staff understand there is a need for senior transportation.
  - B. Nathan Weber and Jim Grabenhorst presented a power point showcasing information on Bayside development. Groundbreaking was held last month. Infrastructure permits are in process. Layout of Bayside was reviewed including lagoon, hike and bike trail, marina, business types and residential consisting of single family homes and condominiums. Crystal lagoon will be the first one built in Texas. A light show fountain will be incorporated which will almost be an acre in size. Brief discussion regarding the tax benefits and plans to accommodate traffic.
  - C. Questions asked and answers provided on other development projects.
6. Senior Friendly Business Award nomination update.
  - A. Criteria for the award was reviewed with a revision to add criteria such as consideration of previous awards. List of nominees were briefly discussed. Subcommittee will reconvene to choose the top three businesses and will present at the next board meeting to decide on a winner.
  - B. Present award every September.

7. Discuss upcoming programs - Della Vickers
    - A. Medicare program will be held in September 13, 2016. Presenter is secured.
    - B. Scam program will be held in October 11, 2016.
    - C. Independent School District/s to possibly be held November 8, 2016. Recreation staff continue work to obtain a speaker.
  
  8. Senior programs, membership and transportation updates - Angela Smith.
    - A. Revenue and expenses from programs for 2015 and year to date for 2016 presented.
    - B. Rowlett Community Centre memberships sold and membership visits presented.
    - C. Facts regarding usage of the new senior transportation program presented. Briefly discussed whether to add the library as a destination due to the rider utilization is lower than anticipated. Recommendation for Angie Smith to visit with Library Director to find out if she would be interested if this service extended to the library.
    - D. Information for a Senior Center Feasibility Study was introduced and reviewed.
    - E. Information moving part-time position to full-time position presented.
  
  9. Plan for the City Council joint meeting with Senior Advisory Board scheduled for June 7, 2016.
    - A. Members were reminded of this meeting and encouraged to attend.
    - B. Information to include in the presentation for City Council was discussed.
    - C. Determined to hold a special meeting on May 27, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. to continue preparations for the presentation.
  
  10. Update from City Council liaison, Tammy Dana-Bashian.
    - A. Elections were held and results were announced.
    - B. Memorial Day celebration will be held May 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am - 1:00pm located at Rowlett Community Centre.
    - C. Pet Adoption event to be held May 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am - 5pm
    - D. Ride for Rowlett Vets will be held May 28<sup>th</sup> to begin at 9:00am to begin at Sachse High School and will end at Rowlett Community Centre.
  
  11. No senior concerns.
  12. No Public Input or questions.
  13. Public announcements
- Early voting begins today.
14. Members of the board may request topics for future meetings.  
  
Michael Britt would like to discuss an action plan for communicating information to seniors.
  
  15. Adjournment at 12:00 p.m.



Della Vickers, Chair



Angela Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation