

MINUTES
SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
December 6, 2007

Members Present

Jane Ketcham	Tracey Dry
Kevin Yarrow	Sonja Hammar
Bill Gibson	Dee Taylor
Annette Vineyard	Jay Lewis

Members Not Present

Jim Hudson

Parks and Recreation Staff Present

Colette Hall, Diann Hand

The meeting was called to order by Jane Ketcham, at approximately 5:05 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Guest Comments

None.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Board approved the minutes from the November 1, 2007 meeting with a correction to include representatives from the Geriatric Wellness Center being present.

3. Discuss Survey "Where do you stand on senior issues?"

This started as a survey and now the Board thinks it should be presented as a recommendation of items the Board thinks City Council should explore. Some of the items originally included in the rough draft have since been included in the MP3 group's proposal.

The Board would still like to recommend hiring a research company to investigate the feasibility of converting currently vacant buildings into middle-income senior housing. They would also like to have the Senior Center Newsletter mailed to seniors and caregivers quarterly. The Board needs to get an estimate of the cost.

The City has added a "senior" link to their homepage. Board members should review the website and suggest ideas of information to be included. Tracey will contact the Wellness Center to get their input on whether having a link on the City's website for prescriptions from Canada would be a good idea. Dee will get information on Collin County's prescription program. Other ideas include Wal-Mart's \$4 drug program and the Assistance Center of Collin County.

4. Senior Transportation & Housing Information/Handouts

Sonja passed out a calendar showing the number of trips and riders on SeniorTrans in September.

5. Other Items discussed

Colette will check on prices for public transportation available in Plano and update the print out. We will no longer use the "Agenda" format; instead Board members will receive the "Notice" format that is the same as what the City posts. New members, Jay Lewis and Dee Taylor, introduced themselves.

6. Items for future agendas

The January meeting will be on January 10th unless the Board has to make their presentation to Council in January. If so, the meeting will be on the normal schedule of January 3, 2008. Colette will find out and let everyone know. The January meeting will include preparation for the Board's presentation to Council, if needed, and brainstorming ideas for projects in 2008.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:35 pm.

Chairperson

Date