The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. in the meeting room of the Oak Ridge Senior Center by Chairperson Elizabeth Batchelor.


ECAB members absent: Alfred Skyberg, Wendy Williams, and Pat Gengozian.

Also present: Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager, Oak Ridge Senior Center and Recreation and Parks Director Jon Hetrick.

VISITORS: Charles LaLoggia and Stan Boling, Vice President of Covenant Health Senior Services.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes of the April 4, 2016 meeting were approved.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

None

REPORTS

SENIOR CENTER RECREATION MANAGER REPORT

Linda McGhee reported the following:

1.) The May Calendar of Activities was distributed. The Senior Center will be closed on Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day.
2.) The Walking Group will meet at Solway Park at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17th to walk for about an hour, weather permitting.
3.) There will be a new cooking class on the 2nd Wednesday of each month sponsored by Diversicare of Oak Ridge. Please sign up in the main office.
4.) There is also a new diabetes class scheduled to begin on May 24th at 10:00 a.m. The class is sponsored by the Anderson County Health Department and can be registered by calling (865) 425-8768 or by emailing Kathy Scruggs at kathy.scruggs@tn.gov. You can also come in on May 10th at 11:00 a.m. for a meet and greet with the instructor.
5.) The Senior Center will be taking a field trip to Market Square in downtown Knoxville for lunch and an afternoon visit to the McClung Museum on the UT Campus. The cost is $3.00 to help cover gas and parking. However, lunch will be on your own at Market Square.
6.) There will be a Lunch and Learn entitled “Educated Aging” on May 25th at noon. Information about important topics such as assisted living and home health care will be shared. The program and lunch will be presented by Courtyards Senior Living. Please sign up in the office.
7.) The Senior Center will be holding our Memorial Weekend Chicken and Dumplings lunch on May 28th at 11:30 a.m. Cost is free but donations will be accepted.
8.) Concerts for the Secret City festival will be as follows: Charlie Daniels Band on Friday and Grand Funk Railroad on Saturday. Tickets are $22 until May 30th and $25 after that day.

RECENT ACTIONS OF CITY COUNCIL

None

OAK RIDGE SENIOR FOUNDATION REPORT

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Senior Center Manager Linda McGhee reported that the requested $50,000 had been added to the proposed city budget for FY17 by the budget committee and will be presented to city council at the first budget reading in June. The budget will be finalized in a second meeting later during the month and work can begin July 1st. Board Chairperson Elizabeth Batchelor mentioned that Anderson County Government is examining taking the DARC building back at the end of the city’s lease to use for County Court business.

Board members also discussed the information packet that Marty Adler-Jasny and Pat Gengozian put together for the Budget Committee to review. There were a couple of suggested changes/additions to the packet.

NEW BUSINESS

It was suggested that an agenda item be added to next month’s meeting to discuss programming space needs of the Senior Center. Senior Center Manager Linda McGhee said she would send out the excel sheet that includes current space usage and also the recommendations from the 1999 and 2011 studies as a basis for the discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Submitted by

Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager

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Elizabeth Batchelor, Board Chairperson