

SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the September 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:29 a.m. in the Craft room of the Oak Ridge Civic Center by Chairperson Pat Gengozian.

SAB members present: Pat Gengozian, Marty Adler-Jasny, Gene Dunaway, Jackie Nichols, Paul Smiddy, Robert Smallridge and Al Skyberg.

SAB members absent: Susan Asbury, David Vudragovich, and Lisa Plante.

Also present: Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager, Oak Ridge Senior Center and Ken Mayes, new MyRide Oak Ridge assistant.

VISITORS: Ellen Smith, City Council Person.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes of the August 5, 2019 meeting were approved.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

None

REPORTS

SENIOR CENTER RECREATION MANAGER REPORT

Linda McGhee reported the following:

- 1.) The Senior Center was closed on September 2nd for Labor Day.
- 2.) There was a lunch and learn with Beech Tree Healthcare about the differences between a skilled nursing facility and assisted living on September 3rd at noon and we had six people attend.
- 3.) There will be two day trips this month. The first will be to Senior Day at the TN Valley Fair on Tuesday, September 10th. Cost is \$5 and admission to the fair is free for those 60 and older. The second trip is our final Wine, Cheese and Waterfall Tour on September 13th. Cost is \$10. Lunch is on your own for both trips.
- 4.) There will be a MyRide Oak Ridge Training this Thursday, September 12th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. There are 6 signed up so far.

RECENT ACTIONS OF CITY COUNCIL

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairperson Pat Gengozian reported that the Oak Ridge Senior Foundation had raised a little over \$10,000 towards furnishings for the new Senior Center. She mentioned that Liz Batchelor has plaques made to honor the donors. She also mentioned that she and Senior Center Manager Linda McGhee would be meeting with Mrs. Batchelor after the present meeting to discuss possible software that the Senior Foundation may provide for the new Senior Center.

Pat also reported that we did not receive the Y-12 FCU grant this year as we had hoped but she was informed that once we know what other needs we may have, we could have access to their warehouse of their gently used furniture from remodels of their branch offices.

Senior Center Manager Linda McGhee reported that the city had tentatively scheduled the move into the new building to begin on September 16th. The Senior Center will be closed for programs through at least September 25th and hopes to have a soft open on September 26th with the grand opening to follow later in October.

Board Member Marty Adler-Jasny asked that we make sure to have a table for the MyRide program at the grand opening. Chairperson Pat Gengozian also mentioned that she and Ken would be speaking with Altrusa on October 9th to recruit more volunteers for My Ride.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Mayes was introduced to the board as the new recreation assistant in charge of the MyRide Oak Ridge Program. Ken will be with the Senior Center on a part time basis of 24 hours a week.

Chairperson Pat Gengozian mentioned that the Senior Center may possibly be able to get the local band "Boys Night Out" to play for a future fundraiser for either the MyRide Program or the Senior Center in general.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Submitted by

Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager

Pat Gengozian, Board Chairperson