

# SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the June 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. in the D room of the Oak Ridge Civic Center by Chairperson Pat Gengozian.

SAB members present: Susan Asbury, Pat Gengozian, Richard Hauser, Jackie Nichols, Robert Smallridge, Paul Smiddy, David Vudragovich and Lisa Plante.

SAB members absent: Marty Adler-Jasny, Gene Dunaway, and Al Skyberg.

Also present: Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager, Oak Ridge Senior Center.

VISITORS: Ellen Smith, City Council Person.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** Minutes of the May 6, 2019 meeting were approved.

## **APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS**

None

## **REPORTS**

### SENIOR CENTER RECREATION MANAGER REPORT

Linda McGhee reported the following:

- 1.) The Senior Center will be closed for the Secret City Festival from noon on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. The Senior Center will reopen on June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 2.) There will be a lunch and learn about "Neck and Shoulder Pain" by Dr. Lee Easley on June 11<sup>th</sup> at noon. Please sign up in the office to be counted for lunch.
- 3.) There will be an Ask-An-Officer event on June 12<sup>th</sup> from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. with Officer Wendy Zolkowski in honor of Elder Abuse Awareness week.
- 4.) There will be an educational program "DVT and ME" by King University Nurse Practitioner students on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.
- 5.) There will be a field trip to the Sweetwater Flea Market on June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$5 for transportation and lunch will be on your own at the Dinner Bell Restaurant.
- 6.) The taxi coupon program has been extended for current users until September 30<sup>th</sup> of this year. A letter will be sent letting users know this and explaining the new program.

## RECENT ACTIONS OF CITY COUNCIL

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The board discussed the status of furniture for the new senior center building. Chairperson Pat Gengozian mentioned that she applied for a \$5000 grant from Y-12 Federal Credit Union to help with furnishing things in the building not covered in the regular order. Appliances for the kitchen were also discussed. Pat also mentioned checking with Patterson Appliances who have a store in Oak Ridge to see if we could get a discount of some kind.

The board continued to work on the MyRide Oak Ridge Senior Transportation program. Board member Jackie Nichols discussed marketing items that will need to be addressed in the coming months. However, the first step is to start recruiting and training drivers. A training class was set for June 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until noon. The application will be put online and the City would get a press release out announcing this training to the Oak Ridger as well as other media contacts.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Board member David Vudragovich mentioned that there needs to be more scam prevention education for seniors. Senior Center Manager Linda McGhee asked him if he might be willing to speak at the senior center and he said yes, he would be glad to speak.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Submitted by

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Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager

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Pat Gengozian, Board Chairperson