

STEPHENVILLE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 10, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

- I. Joanna Lay called the meeting to order for the Stephenville Senior Citizens Advisory Board at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 10, 2021. The meeting was held in the annex room of the Stephenville Senior Citizens Center. Members present were Joanna Lay, Jan Smith, Marlene Dupas, Sheryl Wells, Elizabeth Johnson, and Donna Wesson. Staff members present were Cherisa Black, Sandy Morgan, and Kara Dingman. One visitor Debbie Watson.
- II. The minutes of the May 2021 meeting were approved as written
- III. Financial Report: Ms. Morgan reviewed monthly financial reports for May, June, and July 2021. Mrs. Morgan reported that the rentals and donation are increasing. Mrs. Watson informed the board about donation received: furniture, bingo prizes, toiletries, and money. Cherisa Black, Superintendent for Parks and Recreation, is creating "Donator Packets" that will be accessible through email, mail outs, etc.

Board Member Jan Smith suggested posting donations on Erath Helping Neighbors Facebook page. Sheryl Well asked about restaurant donations. Cherisa Black explained that restaurant donations are limited due to COVID. She went on to recommend approaching Lions Club, Saint Gobain, 377 Arena, Prime, or Schreiber.

Mrs. Morgan asked Debbie Watson, guest, to talk about "The Friends of the Senior Center. Mrs. Watson's vision for "The Friends of the Senior Center" is to publicize the center's programming in the hopes of increasing the participation. She has visited with Kelli Votycka, Parks & Leisure Director, about her idea and is in the process of creating a mission statement and purpose for "The Friends of Senior Center".

- IV. Activity Report: Ms. Morgan informed the board about the new Aeroponic Garden Towers: how they work and what to plant. She discussed the increased participation of the congregate meal program, changes to the newsletter and the calendar, the growth in participation of new and formal programs: Yoga, Zumba Gold, Low Impact Exercise, Quilting Class, and Art Class., and the new programs to come: Drawing Class w/ Donna Wesson and a possible night class for Zumba. Mrs. Morgan also informed the board about the cancellation of programs, Alzheimer's Presentation and the AARP Driver Safety Course, due to COVID concerns.

Board Member Sheryl Wells expressed her excitement concerning the updates and improved calendar found on the Stephenville Senior Citizens Facebook Page. For the new budget, possibly adding color to the newsletter to make it more appealing.

Board Member Elizabeth Johnson wanted an update on the Kiln and Pottery Classes. Mrs. Morgan informed her that she is in the process of getting the kiln serviced for it has not been used in twenty years. Once the kiln has been serviced, the pottery classes will be scheduled. She remarked that the supplies for the pottery class will be paid for by the North Central Texas Area Agency on Aging Grant. Mrs. Morgan asked Mrs. Johnson to explain the grant's purpose and what the grant covers.

- V. Under the election of officers, the board approved: Jan Smith- Chairman; Sheryl Wells- Vice Chairman; and Elizabeth Johnson- Secretary.
- VI. Board Comments: A motion was made for the Sr. Advisory Board to meet monthly for the rest of the year. Motion passed. The next meeting is September 14, 2021 at 1p.m.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.