

STEPHENVILLE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

ADVISORY BOARD

August 9, 2022 – MEETING MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson, Jan Smith called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Meeting was held in the annex meeting room of the Stephenville Senior Citizens Center. Additional board members present were JoAnna Lay, Debby Watson, Marlene Dupas, Dana Worrell and Elizabeth Johnson. City Council member Ricky Thurman was present. Staff members present were Sandy Morgan and Mike Garvin. Guest Richard Feuss was present as well.
- II. Discussion of the New Senior Citizens' Center was held.
 - Ricky Thurman reported that he does not have the estimated completion date but would look into it.
 - There will be approximately 25 parking spaces on site
 - There are drawings of the building plan, inside and outside posted at the current senior center.
- III. Senior Center Survey
 - The survey was to be "The Link Survey" however, renaming the center has not been approved. The goal of changing the name is "reviving, recharging and reenergizing" the center, with an eye towards attracting younger seniors. Jan shared that in the past, the changing of the name has not been well received. Sandy said she felt that the new name reflected the role the Senior Center had in the city's mission of connecting people through spaces, places and programs. The Senior Center was one of the vital links in that mission.
 - Debby shared that 15% of our population was over 60 and that she did not believe the center was currently reaching everyone.
 - The survey has been adjusted from the previous draft to gather more pertinent information about future programming at the center and to determine best language for outreach.
 - The goal of the survey is to gather wants and needs of younger seniors, those 50 and above.
 - The survey presented is a draft and will be adjusted prior to being sent out.
- IV. Reviewed the minutes for January, Debby moved to approved, Joanna seconded, motion passed. Reviewed minutes for May, Joanna moved to approve and Debby seconded, motion passed.
- V. Reviewed the Monthly Reports for May and June 2022. Sandy also reported that on Friday, August 12, the center is having a luncheon and on August 26 @ 5:30 pm, there will be Talent Show at Paradigm. Jan requested that future activities at the center be a new agenda item in the future.
- VI. Meeting adjourned @ 2:10 p.m.