



MINUTES

North Little Rock Senior Citizens Commission

October 23, 2017, 3:00 PM

Hays Center

The Senior Citizens Commission meeting was called to order by Vice Chairwoman Virginia Raum at 3:00 PM.

Present were: Virginia Raum, Marleene Calvin, Dick Giddings, Robert Barnes, Belinda Snow, Dorothy Romes and Dick Blankenkemper. A quorum was declared.

Absent were Eddie Powell and Murry Witcher. Dick Giddings made a motion to excuse absences. Marleene Calvin seconded. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Virginia Raum to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Dick Giddings. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Rhodes gave a brief overview of the financial information and bank accounts reporting that all financials are in good order. She estimates the Hays Center will end the year \$80,000 under budget. Bus No. 7 sold for \$3,300. Funds were returned to Senior Citizens Outreach, Inc. The facility will need new machines and repairs to fitness equipment. Belinda Snow made a motion to accept the financial information, which was seconded by Dick Giddings. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Rhodes gave a program update stating that the Around the World cooking class had an attendance of 20-25 people. Susan's wreath class has been completed and finished with an attendance of one. A new program Drums Alive looks very promising, but we are looking for a location and storage space. The Hays Center segment on KATV's Good Morning Arkansas is ongoing, airing on the second Friday of each month. In October, the Hays Center Quilters displayed their quilts and did a demonstration on the air. We are discontinuing the box lunch program through CareLink due to lack of participation, but our lunch program on Tuesdays are becoming more popular and turning a slight profit. November 1st staff will be cleaning up the Center's outdoor landscaping with help from the master gardeners (this was postponed until Nov. 15th due to weather). A new Alzheimer's/Dementia Support group is looking for co-facilitators for every 1st Tuesday of the month. The November 8th "Ladies Day In" shopping event will be held in the ballroom with several clothing/gift vendors and two food trucks. Ms. Rhodes gave a review of her staff report to the Mayor. A motion was made by Dick Giddings to approve program updates, seconded by Belinda Snow. All were in favor.

Ms. Rhodes informed the Commission in regards to building maintenance.

- Sprinkler – American Leak Detector fixed the first leak near RPZ.
 - City workers will need to pull up concrete and ideas on how to fix the second leak. Was given a referral to the City’s master plumber.
- Ballroom Shades – Installed.
- Computer Lab – Still looking for upgrade solutions and internet options.
- Parking Lot – Needs re-striping and handicap stripes.
- Trip fees – Increase takes effect November 1st.
- Member comment – The Hays Center should restrict cable news stations on televisions. The Commission advised not to restrict channels unless there are cases of increased altercations or complaint calls from the exercise area.

A motion was made by Dick Giddings to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Belinda Snow. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

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Approved by Belinda Snow, Secretary