

Waxahachie Senior Center Advisory Committee
January 17, 2018

A regular meeting of the Senior Center Advisory Committee was held at the Senior Center, 122 Park Hills Drive, Waxahachie, Texas on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present: Patti Junkin, Chairman
Patty Smith, Vice Chairman
Mike Lee
Ray Weable
Lee Johnson

Members Absent: Joe Jenkins
Peggy Loftis

Others Present: Jeanee Smiles, Director, Waxahachie Senior Citizens Center
John Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation
Mary Lou Shipley, Council Representative

1. Call to Order

Chairman Patti Junkin called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation

Mr. Lee Johnson gave the invocation.

3. Approval of minutes for Senior Citizens Center Advisory Committee meeting of October 18, 2017

Action:

Mr. Mike Lee moved to approve the minutes of the Senior Center Advisory Committee meeting of October 18, 2017. Vice Chairman Patty Smith seconded, All Ayes.

4. Discuss financial report for period ending December 31, 2017 and take any necessary action

Ms. Jeanee Smiles, Director of Waxahachie Senior Center, presented the financial report for the period ending December 31, 2017. She discussed expenses such as the Hickerson Memorial, maintenance, special events, and announced reimbursement for scholarships and transportation have been made to the city.

{Mr. Ray Weable arrived at 1:35 p.m.}

Action:

Vice Chairman Patty Smith moved to accept the financial report for the period ending December 31, 2017 as presented. Mr. Lee Johnson seconded, All Ayes.

5. Review Be a Santa to a Senior Event and take any necessary action

Ms. Smiles discussed the 7th annual “Be a Santa to a Senior” event stating it was very successful with over 1600 gifts wrapped and delivered. She noted forty-nine volunteers participated in the wrapping party and several seniors in the community and surrounding areas benefited.

6. Review STEM Education Garden financials and consider funding for the fence

Ms. Smiles reviewed the STEM Education Garden financials noting the Gryphon Toy Run funds are not calculated to date. She explained the city’s technology department is assisting to determine the best product for the Tech Garden. She noted she plans on keeping a spreadsheet to provide information on each part of the garden and progress. Ms. Smiles explained a security fence must be built before the tech teaching area can begin.

Action:

Mr. Lee Johnson moved to approve funding in the amount of \$37,010 for the fence construction. Mr. Mike Lee seconded, All Ayes.

7. Public Comments

Pat Lonzo, 401 Spring Creek Drive, Waxahachie, spoke in opposition of allocating the Gryphon Toy Run money to the STEM Garden and recommended it continue to be used for senior center issues and member support. She spoke in opposition to the STEM Garden and requested it be moved to a WISD facility.

Amy Hedtke, 106 Vanderbilt, Waxahachie, spoke in support of Pat Lonzo and her efforts and suggested the board and members work toward a resolution.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Smith
Parks & Recreation Director