



**CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY
MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 - 10:00 AM**

AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A FRIENDSWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD AT 416 MORNINGSIDE DR, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, FRIENDSWOOD ACTIVITY BUILDING, REGARDING THE ITEMS OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA LISTED BELOW:

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Invocation**
- 3. Communications from the Public**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Consider approving the minutes of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting held on May 10, 2021.
- 5. Discussion and Possible Actions**
 - A. Discuss and take possible action regarding upcoming trips and events.
 - B. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the budget and purchasing.
 - C. Discuss and take possible action regarding the Advisory Board Member positions available.
- 6. Reports**
 - A. Receive the Assistant Director's Report.
- 7. Communications from the City Council Liaison**
- 8. Comments**
- 9. Adjournment**

Genie Balderaz
Senior Program Manager

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I, LETICIA BRYSCH, CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE FRIENDSWOOD SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD WAS POSTED IN A PLACE CONVENIENT TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, ON

06/10/2021

DATE

7:00 P.M.

AT TIME



LETICIA BRYSCH
CITY SECRETARY



**CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 10:00 AM**

MINUTES DRAFT

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FRIENDSWOOD SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD THAT WAS HELD AT THE FRIENDSWOOD ACTIVITY BUILDING, 416 MORNINGSIDE DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Committee Chair Nancy Mastrofrancesco
Committee Member Vickie Hefner
Committee Member Dorothy Montz
Committee Member David O'Brien
Committee Member Alternate Charlene Mizener
City Council Liaison Sally Branson
Senior Program Manager Genie Balderaz
Assistant Senior Program Manager Shadey Caraveo-Saldaña
Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Michael Boyett

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Nancy Mastrofrancesco called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Committee Member Charlene Mizener.

3. Communications from the Public

Councilmember Sally Branson announced that the Friendswood Downtown Economic Development Corporation (FDEDC) was fortunate to receive a \$3.5 million grant that

will be used to add sidewalks and lighting on both sides of Friendswood Drive. The section starts at FM 2351 and ends by Stevenson Park. The Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Michael Boyett will ask for a map of Friendswood Downtown District to show the Senior Citizens Board.

Councilmember Sally Branson clarified misconceptions regarding under developed land the City of Friendswood acquired from League City. The City Limit line was moved to include this area, which Avalon will develop in the near future. This development will affect Friendswood Lakes Boulevard slightly. This development will not cost the citizens of Friendswood anything and the City will receive 50% of the revenue received in the next 20 years after development. The development will be a gated community with no need for maintenance from the City.

Friendswood Lakes Blvd. will be extended to FM 518, which may cause some more traffic on FM 528 Rd. However, if Friendswood Parkway is extended towards FM 2351 then this could aid to alleviate traffic in that area.

The Senior Citizens Board and Council Member Sally Branson discussed adding a section in the agenda for the City Council Liaison, rather than the liaison speaking under Communications from the Public. The Parks and Recreation Director Michael Boyett said a new section would be added to the Agenda, in all future meetings.

Citizen Mick Culp disclosed that after applying for the Senior Citizens Board position available, he was given paperwork at the City Secretary's office indicated that three board members terms had expired. The PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett responded that the City had just opened a position for City Secretary, and once she was settled in, the information would be updated. for retired in 2020 . updated here but no on website and paperwork with application. Michael new city secretary will update everything soon.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Consider approving the minutes of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting held on April 12, 2021.

Committee Member Dorothy Montz moved to approve the April 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

5. Discuss and Possible Actions

A. Discuss and take possible action regarding upcoming trips and events.

Assistant Senior Program Manager Shadey Caraveo-Saldaña stated that the June trips offered are as followed: Tuesday, June 22, 2021, Froberg's Farm and Joe's BBQ, 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM at \$5 per person.

Assistant Senior Program Manager Shadey Caraveo-Saldaña stated that the June events offered are as follows: Thursday, June 17, 2021, Watermelon Bash and Bingo, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. She stated the event would be sponsored by Brothers Produce and was requesting all attendants to register in advance. However, those not registered in advance would still be able to attend.

Assistant Senior Program Manager Shadey Caraveo-Saldaña also mentioned that the registration to attend the July 9th show at the Alvin Opry would start on Monday, July 21, 2021. The fee to register is \$2 per person, but will only cover the bus trip. Participants will have extra fees at the venue such as the \$20 entrance fee and costs to purchase dinner at the *cash only* concession. Program Manager Genie Balderaz mentioned that staff at the Alvin Opry informed her that costs were higher to offset losses incurred during the pandemic closure. Regular pricing is anticipated as soon as attendance returns to normal.

Committee Member Charlene Mizener commented that she inquired with the Pasadena Opry regarding reopening dates. She was told they did not have a reopening date in mind but assured her that previous tickets purchased would be validated.

B. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the budget and purchasing.

Senior Program Manager Genie Balderaz presented that, as of May 06, 2021:

FRIENDSWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN BUDGET	
REVENUE RECEIVED	\$887.00
EXPENDITURES	\$955.42
FUNDS AVAILABLE	-\$68.42

Senior Program Manager Genie Balderaz explained that the negative funds available on the budget are due to virtual bingo supplies not being sponsored. This will change once sponsorships and trip revenue start again.

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett asked the board members if there is anything that needs to be purchased for use at the facility. The Committee Members responded that it was difficult to know what is needed since the programming and facility usage were not back to normal. No suggestions for purchases were made.

Committee Member Charlene Mizener Friendswood Senior Citizen Program (FSCP) staff if a date for reopening was known. Senior Program Manager Genie Balderaz responded that the information for a reopening date is still not set.

Committee Member David O'Brien asked FSCP staff if members would be able to start eating in the facility soon. PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett responded that after discussion, staff had agreed to allow members to eat. However, the PARD Assistant Director asked that members brought individual snacks, and not something to share with the public, such as a cake.

C. Discuss and take possible action regarding the Watermelon Bash and Bingo.

[Thursday, June 17, 2021; 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at Stevenson Park] Senior Program Manager announced that attendants would receive individually wrapped containers with fruit, which would be served between 11:00 am and 12:00 pm, followed by 10 games of bingo between 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm. FSCP will continue to look for sponsors for prizes.

D. Discuss and take possible action regarding changing the date of the Advisory Board Meeting.

Committee Members discussed changing board meetings to the second Monday of each month at 10 am. Committee Member Dorothy Montz commented this date would interfere with some of her activities but she would make arrangements to attend. Following that comment, there were no other objections and the date and time change was approved.

E. Discuss and take possible action regarding the Advisory Board Member position available.

Committee Member David O'Brien asked FSCP staff for the number of available positions on the board. Program Manager Genie Balderaz responded that one position was available but she was notified that Committee Member Dennis Rundell would withdraw from his position soon. This withdrawal would leave one regular position and one alternate position, after Committee Member Charlene Mizener is approved to move to a regular position. This would be decided at the next meeting. Committee Member David O'Brien asked how members were notified of the position availability, and he was made aware by other board members of an email with information sent out. Since not all applicants attended the meeting, Committee Member Nancy Mastrofrancesco suggested all applicants speak and explain their reason to want to join the Senior Citizens Board at the meeting in June.

6. Reports

A. Receive the Assistant Director's Report

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett announced the Youth Fishing Derby was a success with over 200 participants. Over \$900 worth of door prizes were given to participants. Prizes included were bicycles and fishing poles. All participants received breakfast from Whataburger, the first 75 kids to attend got a t-shirt and all the fish caught were cleaned free onsite. PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett also mentioned that a leader from a San Jacinto County Boy Scouts group, offered to bring his grill next year, to cook any fish donated and then give out to those attending.

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett announced that the Concert in the Park had great attendance and the PARD Director James Toney was pleased. Committee Member David O'Brien said he attended the event and felt there were a lot more

attending than usual. Committee Member Charlene Mizener asked when Vocal Trash would be playing but was told by PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett that they would not be part of this year's series.

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett announced that with the help of the Rotary Club and City Council they were able to purchase a new projector and screen for Movies in the Park. The new projector is much brighter which would allow staff to show movies 20 to 25 minutes earlier than usual. The new screen purchased is easier for staff to setup and has better dimensions to be able to fit under the amphitheater to protect it from any weather condition. PARD Director Michael Boyett also said the theme for this year's event is *Throwback Movies*.

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett announced that they were able to purchase a slide for the City Pool using the Park Land Dedication Fund. The City Pool will be scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend to start the season.

PARD Assistant Director Michael Boyett announced that the Friendswood Summer Day Camp would be offered as normal.

B. Receive a report regarding Cinco de Mayo at Stevenson Park.

[Wednesday, May 05, 2021; 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at Stevenson Park] Senior Program Manager Genie Balderaz announced that over 80 members attended the event and the majority of the group mentioned how much they enjoyed the Mariachi band, sponsored by Mayor Mike Foreman, Council Member Robert Griffon and Council Member Sally Branson. The attendants also enjoyed playing Mexican Loteria, even though most were confused with the images being called in Spanish. However, most caught on quickly since they were able to view the images on a large screen. Committee Member Charlene Mizener mentioned she really enjoyed her little prize piñata because it had Mexican candy. Senior Program Manager also mentioned Delaney at South Shore sponsored \$400 towards the event and that La Casita did great preparing everyone's lunch in individual plates.

7. Comments

8. Adjournment

Committee Member Dorothy Montz moved to adjourn the meeting and Committee Member Vickie Hefner seconded. This meeting was adjourned at 10:39 am.