

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SENIOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, HELD OCTOBER 27, 2011 AT THE VERDE VALLEY SENIOR CENTER LOCATED AT 500 E. CHERRY STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

Chairman Bremner called the meeting to order at 3:400 PM.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was as follows:

Commission Members Present

Elaine Bremner, Chairperson
Iris Dobler, Commission Member
Max Brown, Commission Member
John O'Neill, Commission Member
Dave Puzas, Commission Member

Commission Members Absent

Jake Gonzales, Vice Chairperson
Paula Kelly, Commission Member

Council Members Present

Linda Norman

Guest Present

Jason Kelly, Mobility Management Planner, NACOG

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no one from the public present to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2011

Commissioner Dobler moved to approve with the minutes, and Commissioner O'Neill seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Dobler ask if the accounting for the Prime Time Fair mentioned in the minutes could be shared with the Commissioners. Chairperson Bremner stated that she would do that.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairperson Bremner introduced Jason Kelly of NACOG to the Commissioners, and he informed the members that NACOG received a grant for his position. His objective is to work with AAA and NACOG to provide transportation. He has been meeting with NACOG, NAIPTA and the Verde Valley Senior Center to assist in finding the needs of the Verde Valley transportation needs. NAIPTA and NACOG will be funding an enhanced program to transport Seniors. They have been talking to Tender Hearts and CK's Need A Lift, who are interested in participating in a voucher program to provide transportation for Seniors or disabled individuals who need to go to a doctor, shopping, etc. They have also been discussing the possibility of providing Special Trips for groups to attend special events. The voucher program will be for Para Transit or low income who qualify.

Jason Kelly announced there will be a meeting for everyone who is involved in providing transportation on Tuesday, Nov. 1st at the Verde Valley Senior Center from 2 PM to 5 PM. This meeting will be held to get input from everyone as to what they provide and what their needs are.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Bremner informed the Commissioners that she had already been talking to Pam Miller of the Verde Independent and Lana Tolleson of the Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce, regarding another Prime Time Fair for next year.

Commissioner Dobler stated she would like to see the Commission continue discussion and development of a brochure for all Citizens of the Verde Valley listing services that might be needed. This will be on the next agenda. She had a brochure provided by SpotlightSeniorServices that she had picked up somewhere, and thought we could use it for ideas. Their website is www.spotlightseniorservices.com

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Brown to adjourn. Commissioner Puzas seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.