

State of New Mexico)

The county of Curry)

The City of Clovis)

The Clovis Commission of Older Adults met at Baxter-Curren in full conformity with the laws of the state of New Mexico and the ordinances of said city at 4:00 pm on July 25, 2016.

The following commission members were present:

Linda Lawson, Donna Labatt, Shirley Wolfenbarger, County Commissioner Chet Spear, Older Adults Executive Director Vicki Miller, Older Adults, Administrative Assistance Barbara Riggan.

Guest in attendance:

Assistant City Manager Claire Burroughes, Director of Emergency Management Dan Heerding.

Members absent:

Secretary COA Ione Wood, City Commissioner Tom Martin.

Call to Order

Chairman Linda Lawson called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm.

Invocation

Linda Lawson gave invocation.

Approval of Agenda

Items added to Agenda include; a request to the City of Clovis Wish list for a new south parking lot at Friendship Senior Center, Community Services Forum, and For the Good of Order: Non-action items. Donna Labatt made a motion to accept changes, County Commissioner Spear seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Donna Labatt requested to change the following items on the minutes from April 25, 2016; Corrections to spelling, Hearing to Heerding, Borrourghs to Burroughes, and add a period to the sentence ending with bean bag. Shirley Wolfenbarger made a motion to accept the amended minutes, County Commissioner Spear seconded motion, motion carried.

Introduction of Guest

Claire Burroughes introduced herself as the new Assistant City Manager and explained she has been assigned to look over several departments including Older Adults Division. She handed out sections from the City Ordinance, explaining the duties and responsibilities for the Commission on Older Adults.

Dan Heerding introduced himself as the Emergency Management Director. He wants to discuss a way to better serve the seniors and community during large storms, such as Blizzard Goliath. Heerding is working on a plan how to reach out to senior population during times of crisis. Heerding wants to start

with the Older Adults Division to get a list of seniors that may need assistance with things such as oxygen, food, water, etc.

Quarterly Report

Vehicles have been in shop for maintenance.

Budget reopened.

There was a meeting with Mayor Lansford July 5th. He would like the Commission on Older Adults to come up with a (5) five year plan. OAD will be creating an organizational chart of services and funding of senior programs to let the Mayor know what is provided, what is not being provided and where can the City fill in the gaps.

Unfinished Business

United way is working on a Volunteer program. United Way offers a website for service men and women to post volunteer help opportunities.

Dan Heerding has concerns for people who are shut-ins during severe weather like major snowstorms, tornados, etc. He is going to work closely with OAD to compile a list of seniors that need to be checked during storms.

New Business

By vote of acclamation, Donna Labatt was selected as new COA chairperson.

COA and OAD will work together to get a public forum together of elderly services in the community.

For Good of the Order

Donna Labatt asked about the Senior Survey results. Vicki read over results and offered the Commission copies if they would like.

Upcoming events include

Corn hole/sack lunch at Hillcrest Park Saturday July 30 at 1pm

Cakewalk at Friendship August 12 at 3pm

Old Timers' luncheon Saturday, August 20th at 12pm at the Curry County Events Center.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:10.

The next COA meeting will be held October 24 at 4pm at the Baxter-Curren Senior Center

Minutes by Barbara Riggan

Barbara Riggan 7/26/16