

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
COUNTY OF CURRY) ss.

The City of Clovis Senior Services Committee met in regular session at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, May 12, 2022 in the North Annex, Clovis-Carver Library, 701 N. Main, in full conformity with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the ordinances and resolutions of said city with the following members present:

Mayor Mike Morris, Chairperson
Ms. Donna Labatt, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Leslie Bassinger, Friendship Center
Mr. Terry Potter, City resident
Ms. Melinda Coslett, County resident
Mr. Linda Lawson, Baxter-Curren
Ms. Constance Williams, City resident
Ms. Shelley Winn, City resident
Ms. Liz Crouthaml, La Casa

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Barbara Riggan, Senior Services Director
Ms. Vicki Reyes, Assistant City Clerk
Mr. David Briseno, La Casa

Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. and established the presence of a quorum.

Agenda Item No. 3 – Approval of minutes of March 10, 2022

Ms. Labatt advised she had a couple of corrections. Ms. Coslett made a motion to approve the minutes of March 10, 2022 as amended; Mr. Bassinger seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 4 – New Business

a. Discussion and action regarding the naming of the new senior center

Ms. Labatt advised the sub-committee met after the suggestion boxes had been picked up and the survey had gone out. Hillcrest Senior Life Center, with 418 votes, was the winning name. Ms. Williams advised this was a good choice. Ms. Riggan advised she loved the name. Their goal is to bring life to the center so the name is very fitting. She thanked the community for voting. Mayor Morris advised he was grateful for the 600 respondents that took the time to weigh in on this. Ms. Labatt made a motion to approve naming the senior center the Hillcrest Senior Life Center; Mr. Bassinger seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Old Business

a. Discussion and action regarding art in public places

Ms. Riggan advised they had a little over \$49,000 to purchase art to be displayed in a public place. They received an additional \$7,500 reauthorization for art which brings the total to

\$57,039.46. It will take a year to get that art in place so she would like to form a sub committee of 2-4 members to view the art and make a selection to present to the Art in Public Places. Ms. Labatt suggested waiting until they are further along with the building to choose the art. Mayor Morris advised that wasn't a bad thought, but everything is delayed lately. Ms. Winn asked if there was a timeframe on when the money has to be spent. Ms. Riggan advised there was no time frame, but the state would like to have that art purchased and the money utilized. The longer they wait they may not be able to get the pieces of art that they would like.

Ms. Williams asked when the groundbreaking would be. Ms. Riggan advised bids will close on June 2nd and the lowest contractor at that time would receive the potential award. It would be August-September when ground is broken.

Mayor Morris advised it would be a good idea to appoint a subcommittee. Ms. Labatt moved for approval of Ms. Winn, Ms. Coslett, Mr. Potter, Ms. Williams and herself to serve as the sub-committee for Art in Public Places; Ms. Coslett seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 6 – For the good of the order

Baxter-Curren

Ms. Lawson advised they had over 300 people in attendance at their car show & chili cookoff. Mayor Morris advised he heard people all over town talking about it. He thanked her for a wonderful event.

La Casa

Ms. Crouthaml advised La Casa reopened in September and are working on rebuilding their participation. They have had two potlucks, a pool tournament, and will have an over 50's dance from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., June 22. June 7-11 is the state senior Olympics in Las Cruces. Today they are hosting their first craft project since reopening. Their transportation services are booming and have tripled this year. Ms. Labatt asked if the transportation was just within Clovis. Ms. Crouthaml advised it was in Clovis and Portales. Mr. Briseno advised the transportation is for medical purposes only.

50+ Olympics

Ms. Coslett advised they had 76 registered participants. The new director at Roy Walker is hoping to have monthly or bi-monthly senior activities. They are going to meet with Mr. Curry regarding this.

Friendship Center

Mr. Bassinger advised Friday is tea time, they have board games, and exercise classes every day. They went to the driving range and a few days later played 9 holes, which will become a regular activity. They have several health programs being submitted for presentations. They also have movies twice a month, cornhole tournaments, a ladies only pool tournament, zoo tours and a

father's day pool tournament. There are cooking classes, planting classes, bingo on Monday. May 17th they will have a virtual talent show.

AARP

Ms. Winn advised they did 1,525 returns with AARP for tax season. The Governor signed two bills for rebates. One is for anyone that received a 2020 NM Tax Return they will receive \$250 if you filed single and \$500 for married. Ms. Williams asked how they train people with AARP. Ms. Winn advised they have some training in Albuquerque, but most is done virtually. They have additional week training as well. They are all certified by the IRS.

Nonagenarian Tea

Ms. Riggan advised the nonagenarian tea will be May 18th at 2:00 p.m. They have very limited seating available, but have a few left. This is to celebrate seniors over 90 and will provide them with banana splits and entertainment.

Ms. Labatt asked if they had numbers from CRSMA. Ms. Riggan advised she didn't have those. Ms. Davis wasn't feeling well so she wasn't able to make it to the meeting. She advised they were closed for a week to install a new HVAC in their kitchen. Effective May 1 they had to increase pricing for suggested donations. They are open and busy.

Mayor Morris advised their next meeting would be at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 14.

Agenda Item No. 7 – Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Chairperson

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(ATTEST)

City Clerk