

**MINUTES OF THE
FERNLEY SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 14, 2023**

Chairman McCullar called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM at Fernley City Hall, 595 Silver Lace Blvd., Fernley, NV 89408.

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1.1. Roll Call

Present: Chairman JF McCullar, Vice Chair Jacqueline LaVoie, Committee Member Sharon Holley, Committee Member Denise Moorman; Staff Deputy City Clerk Brenda Gosser, Administrative Specialist I Sandy Harris, Deputy City Attorney Aaron Mouritsen, City Engineer Derek Starkey
Absent: Committee Member Thomas Burrous.

1.2. Public Forum

There was none.

1.3. (For Possible Action) Approval of Agenda

Motion: MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA WITH EXCEPTION OF MOVING ITEM 5.2 BEFORE 5.1. **Moved by:** Committee Member Moorman, **Seconded by:** Vice Chair LaVoie.

Action: Approved, **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4. **Yes:** Chairman McCullar, Vice Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Holley, Committee Member Moorman.

1.4. (Possible Action) Approval of Minutes

Motion: MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES. **Action:** Approved, **Moved by:** Vice Chair LaVoie, **Seconded by:** Committee Member Holley. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4. **Yes:** Chairman McCullar, Vice Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Holley, Committee Member Moorman.

2. REPORTS - this item is for various public entity representatives to provide general information to the Council and public. No action will be taken.

2.1. Committee and Subcommittee reports.

The Committee thanked Trish Connor for all her work with the committee over the years.

2.2. City Council Liaison and staff liaison reports.

Councilman Torres thanked Trish Connor for her dedication and hard work with the committee. Councilman Torres stated council did approve the city's balanced budget.

Trish Connor introduced Rebecca William from Lyon County. Ms. William reported on dementia in the community.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1. Presentations from businesses and organizations in the City of Fernley who offer services and benefits to senior citizens.

There were none.

3.2. Presentation regarding the scope of proposed park improvements for Fernley In Town Park. No Action Requested.

City Engineer Derek Starkey gave a presentation on the In Town Park project and asked the Committee for some input on how the city can make the park better for seniors. Some suggestions given were the gazebo, more lighting around the proposed walk-way and making it ADA accessible.

Sparks Senior Citizens Advisory Board's Marsy Kyfersmith suggested more benches or chairs around the walkway.

Fernley resident Sue Albitre would like to see phase I include skate park improvements.

Fernley resident Edrie LaVoie thanked the committee for the work they do and also stated that she has asked the Mayor about converting one of the tennis courts into pickle ball courts. Many Fernley residents travel to Fallon and Reno to play pickle ball. She encouraged the committee to make that recommendation. Truckee Meadows Pickle Ball Association and Fallon Pickle Ball Club have both agreed to come help with lessons and get a club started. They are also willing to come with volunteer help for painting and stripping.

Vice Chair LaVoie thanked Derek Starkey for including senior citizens in the planning for the improvements to In Town Park.

Councilman Albert Torres thanked the committee for looking after seniors.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1. Discussion and approval of the next Senior Citizen Advisory Committee meeting, May 12, 2023.

The next meeting will be May 12th, 2023.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1. Discussion and approval of the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee activities including event(s) in May 2023 to celebrate Older Americans Month.

Discussion of possible events and activities the committee could attend throughout the year and events and activities to celebrate Older Americans Month this year. Older Americans Month was established in 1963 and is observed each year during the month of May.

Sparks Senior Citizens Advisory Vice chair suggested the May meeting could be an event and include Sparks council. Trish Connor would like to have the May 12, 2023 meeting to include an ice cream social, and have it at the Senior Center.

Senior Services Stephanie Wolf, agreed with having the May meeting at the Senior Center and would like committee to attend.

Committee Member Moorman stated that the Senior newsletter goes with the City water Bill and

would like to have the Senior Center add their events to the their monthly newsletter.

Councilman Torres let the committee know that a Proclamation would be made at the May 3, 2023 City Council Meeting for older Americans Month. He agreed that the ice cream social should be held at the Senior Center.

Break 10:45 - 11:03

Workshop attendees:

LCHS Senior Services Stephanie Wolf
Washoe County Senior Advisory Donna Contz
Churchill County Coalition for Seniors Karla Kent
Sparks Senior Citizens Advisory Mary Kysfersmith
Fernley resident Edrie LaVoie
City of Fernley Trisha Conner
Councilman Albert Torres
FSCAC members:
Sharon Holley
Denise Moorman
JF McCullar
Jacqueline LaVoie

5.2. Presentation and discussion on the needs and resource gaps of the Senior Citizen communities, including but not limited to the following topics: **This is a workshop presentation/discussion, and no action will be taken by the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee at this meeting related to any of these items presented or discussed. **

A. Overview of the demographics of the Senior Citizen communities.

City of Fernley - 15 % of the population is 65 and over, the poverty level is 10% of the city's elderly.

B. Review of the analysis of the Senior Citizen communities, including SWOT assessments.

Senior Citizens Center is a great help for our community.

C. Review of Senior Citizen resources and gaps.

D. Develop ideas to address resource gaps.

A few of the gaps are getting citizens to meetings, communications, need to find out how to reach seniors and informing them of resources. Recommendations for the Advisory Committee to visit the Senior Center and let them know what is happening with such things as resource fairs and article in Senior Spectrum magazine. Have a basic tech class, events at the library, maybe an announcement on a radio station.

E. American Rescue Program Act Fund update and opportunities for Senior Citizens.

Trish Connor made a presentation on the American Rescue Program Act fund and the opportunities for Senior Citizens.

Break 12:08 - 12:24

5.3. For Possible Action to Re-Appoint members to the subcommittees by the Chairperson and confirmed by majority vote of the Committee.

Motion: MOVE TO CONFIRM THE SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENT MADE BY CHAIRMAN MCCULLAR. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Committee Member Moorman, **Seconded by:** Vice Chair LaVoie. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4. **Yes:** Chairman McCullar, Vice Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Moorman. Committee Member Holley.

6. ITEMS REQUESTED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairman McCullar would like to have another workshop and thanked the staff.

7. PUBLIC FORUM

There was none.

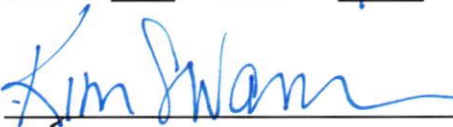
8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before it, the Fernley Senior Citizens Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

Approved by the Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee on May 12, 2023, by a vote of:

AYES 4 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0 ABSENT: 1


Chairman Jewell McCullar


ATTEST: