

**MINUTES OF THE
FERNLEY SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 12, 2024**

Chair Jacqueline LaVoie called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1.1. Pledge of Allegiance

1.2. Roll Call

Present: Chair Jacqueline LaVoie, Committee Member Sharon Holley, Committee Member Lisa Callahan, Committee Member Debbie Skinner, Management Analyst Casey Kasten, City Attorney Aaron Mouritsen, City Engineer Derek Starkey, Project Manager Kari Weitzel, Deputy City Clerk Brenda Gosser, Administrative Specialist I Sandy Harris, Councilman Albert Torres, City Mayor Neal E. McIntyre. **Absent:** Vice-Chair Denise Moorman.

1.3. Public Forum

Timothy Johnston, Vice-President of Outreach with Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Northern Nevada and Utah, presented BBB's scam tracker risk report recently released for 2023. It is an online tool where you can report scams. In 2023, the riskiest scams were investment and cryptocurrency scams for individuals 45+, for individuals 65+ was romance and home improvement scams. This information is available for free as well as helpful information and resources at bbb.org/riskreport. There are a couple of resources put together by The Community Foundation of Northern Nevada in an initiative called Preventing Financial Scams. One is a scam prevention tip sheet geared towards and created for isolated older adults, and a guidebook called "Staying Safe After Loss". Individuals who have suffered the loss of a spouse, partner or family member, during that time of grief, probably are not thinking about scam prevention.

Chair Jacqueline LaVoie stated that she would like to have this information in the next newsletter.

1.4. (For Possible Action) Approval of Agenda

Motion: I MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CORRECTION OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE TO BE JUNE 14. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Committee Member Sharon Holley, **Seconded by:** Committee Member Lisa Callahan. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4 **Yes:** Committee Member Holley, Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Skinner, Committee Member Callahan.

1.5. (Possible Action) Approval of Minutes from the February 9, 2024, meeting.

Motion: I MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. **Action:** Approved, **Moved by:** Committee Member Lisa Callahan, **Seconded by:** Committee Member Sharon Holley. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4. **Yes:** Committee Member Holley, Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Skinner, Committee Member Callahan.

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1. Presentation by Lyon County Human Services about their transportation services available in Fernley.

Shaya Holmes, Lyon County Human Services, presented via Zoom. LCHS transportation has two options (1) Senior Centers: door to door service to the centers; pickup in the am dropped off after lunch (12:30) times dependent on riders and drivers; pre-scheduled, and donation basis. (2) Out of Town: door

to door services to appointment; pick up in the am dropped off in the afternoon, times dependent on riders and traffic; appointment window 11 - 1; pre-scheduled, specific days for location pick up and destination areas; donation basis, all ages; priority to medical appointments.

2.2. Presentation by the Engineering Department regarding In Town Park Update and Review.

Derek Starkey, City Engineer, presented this item and stated that as representatives of the seniors of Fernley, that their input is valuable. He gave an update on the progress made on the In Town Park. A 20 x 44 gazebo has been purchased and repairs were made to the cracks on the tennis court. All comments were used to produce the current design. Current improvements designed include a walking path, an additional large gazebo, sitting areas around the park with shading, additional lighting throughout the park, resurfacing of the tennis courts, addition to the skate park, new baseball fence, improved landscaping along 95A, two additional gazebos at the back of the ball field, new park sign, improved playground area, playground area for toddlers and upgrades to concession stand.

Committee Member Debbie Skinner asked if there are any plans for pet stations, how much turf reduction there will be, and if the Frisbee baskets are still there.

Derek Starkey, City Engineer, stated that there is not anything formally planned, but it could be added. The only turf being replaced is where the grass is not growing. The Frisbee baskets for Frisbee golf have been removed, but it is something to look into.

Chair Jacqueline LaVoie thanked Derek Starkey for all his efforts.

2.3. Presentation by New Direction Mobile Medicine about their mobile primary care service offered in Fernley.

Kim Jones, RN, New Direction Mobile Medicine, presented this item. Their primary care practice was built from a need to provide healthcare for those that are unable to "physically" get to the doctor. Dr. Josph Heflin is the medical director and president of the company. He is the physician that drives all over Northern Nevada to see the patients initially, then a Nurse Advocate is assigned who will assist with any needs such as prescriptions, medical equipment needed in the home and referrals. Patients are seen by the advocate as directed by the physician providers. They bill insurance but are not a home health agency. Their office is located at 35 North West Street and patients are seen in that office. They do take walk-ins.

Chair Jacqueline LaVoie asked for permission to have an article written-up to publish in the next newsletter.

2.4. Presentation by the Rotary Club of Fernley to provide information on their organization.

There was no presentation by the Rotary Club of Fernley.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1. (For Possible Action) Update and discussion by Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members on the progress of a Senior Expo event in 2024.

Committee Member Lisa Callahan gave an update on the Senior Expo and is looking at scheduling late September or early October. The location still needs to be determined due to the limited availability of the City Hall Chambers.

Committee Member Debbie Skinner suggested contacting the Fernley ACES and seeing what the availability is at the community center.

3.2. (For Possible Action) Update and discussion by Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members on the progress of an Ice Cream Social event on May 21, 2024.

Chair Jacqueline LaVoie reported that the ice cream social will be May 21, 2024, at the Senior Center and suggested setting a cap.

Committee Member Debbie Skinner will get prices on different items.

Committee Member Debbie Skinner, Committee Member Sharon Holley and Management Analyst Casey Kasten will meet on Thursday, May 2, to discuss ordering details.

Motion: I MOVE TO SET ASIDE \$150.00 TO PURCHASE ICE CREAM FOR THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL ON MAY 21. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Committee Member Lisa Callahan, **Seconded by:** Committee Member Sharon Holley. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4. **Yes:** Committee Member Holley, Chair LaVoie, Committee Member Skinner, Committee Member Callahan.

3.3. (For Possible Action) Update and discussion by Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members on the progress of a FSCAC Angel Tree for Christmas 2024.

Chair LaVoie received information on the process. She suggested meeting in August to get started.

Committee Member Debbie Skinner suggested having the subcommittee meeting on June 14

3.4. (For Possible Action) Update and discussion by Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members on participation with DiscoverFernley.com events calendar website.

Committee Member Lisa Callahan reported that the site is up and working. It is easy to sign up and get a weekly email on what is going on in Fernley. The ice cream social on May 21st and the Fernley Senior Citizens Advisory Committee meeting has been posted.

3.5. (For Possible Action) Update and discussion by Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee members on all other special event volunteering opportunities.

Committee Member Skinner provided a list of organizations that have different events in Fernley that the FSCAC could volunteer at. The meeting on May 2 will discuss the ice cream social and the 4th of July.

Councilman Albert Torres stated that he will be available for the 4th of July, and he has been in contact with Nancy Rifkin from the Veterans Coalition, and they are looking for volunteers to place flags on Saturday, May 25th, at 8:00 am for Memorial Day.

4. ADDRESS REQUEST(S) FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair LaVoie would like to have Shayla Homes, Lyon County County Human Services, come back and give a presentation on assistance with water bills or some senior specific funding program. Would also like to get pricing on tri-fold and order resource guides. Would like to have Councilman Albert Torres research the public cemetery and how it is taken care of and for maintaining it.

5. PUBLIC FORUM

None at this time.

The next meeting will be June 14, 2024.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before it, the Fernley Senior Citizens Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Approved by the Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee on June 14, 2024, by a vote of:

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