

**Minutes of The Commission on Aging
Thursday, March 24, 2022 – 12:00 p.m.
In Person - Via Go-To-Meeting
Conference Room at Recreation and Aquatics Center
1402 W. College Blvd.**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Helen Wakefield called the March 24, 2022 meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Helen Wakefield, Bonnie Montgomery, Bob McCrea, Sandra East, Monica Duran Absent: Jesse Davis

Staff present: Alex Diaz, Recreation Manager, Staff Liaison; and ShiAnn Peralta, Recreation Administrative Assistant, Sr.

Guests present: Ashley Mathis, Daniel Sullivan, Chelsea Zhao, Dakota Fitzpatrick, Cheyenn Studdard, Wendy Tavarez, Leon Shorey

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Member Montgomery motioned to approve the agenda for March 24, 2022. Member Duran seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Montgomery motioned to approve the minutes for November 18, 2021. Member East seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.

GUEST SPEAKER

Ashley Mathis, Executive Director of Healthbridge Home Health gave a brief discussion on services they provide. Chelsea Zhao, RN of Healthbridge talked in depth about advantages and qualifiers of Home Health. Daniel Sullivan, LPN of Healthbridge Home Health gave information on the history of the company. Went into depth about extra services they provide, and how to apply for their services.

ACTION ITEMS

2. **Consider the recommendation to the General Services Committee that Public Affairs create a flyer for Senior Awareness and information for dissemination in Home Delivered Meals, local businesses, and venues.**
Recreation Manager Alex Diaz had some clarifying questions on this action item. After a brief discussion on the issue Member McCrea motioned to approve the recommendation to General Services Committee for Public Affairs to create a Senior

flyer. Member Montgomery seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed with member Davis absent.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

3. **Follow-up reports by Commissioners on efforts to provide additional activities services, and/ or support to enhance the lives and well-being of local Seniors.**
Discussion only no action was taken.
4. **Discussion and report by Commissioners on recent events that limit Senior access to Adult Center services.**
Recreation Manager Alex Diaz updated the committee with updated hours and programming and upcoming marketing strategies at the Roswell Adult Center.
Discussion only no action was taken.
5. **Discuss City of Roswell engaging in media collaboration efforts with local newspapers, radio stations and other business, including hospitals to create communication avenues to provide awareness, information and entertainment to Seniors.**
Chair Wakefield gave a brief discussion of ideas. Discussion only no action was taken.
6. **Discussion on the closing of the local Assisted Living Facility in Roswell and how the COA may be helpful to seniors being affected by this matter.**
Discussion only no action was taken.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

7. **Chair Updates**
Chair Wakefield advised Members she was asked by a City Council member if they could attend City Council meetings.
Discussion only no action was taken.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-limited to 3 minutes

None

INFORMATION

8. Next meeting: Thursday, May 19, 2022; 12:00 p.m., via GoToMeeting.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m. by Chair Wakefield.