

Community Affairs Commission Minutes August 30, 2012

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The Community Affairs Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall Conference Room, 2000-A Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, TX on the 30th day of August, 2012 with the following members present:

Mark Massey
Steve Grubbs
Jeremy Brown
David Franklin
Sarah Sisson
Cynthia Williams
Gary Morlock
Roy Savage

Others present:
David Miller, Staff
Michael Boyter, Council

Absentees:
Donald Bates
Alexander Wolfe
Mary Frazier
Cody Walker

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mark Massey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the following Community Affairs Commission minutes:
 - a) July 2012 regular meeting.

Motion to approve made by Steve Grubbs and seconded by Sarah Sisson. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Review the balance of the Commission budget.

The Commission could be right at budget or just over with the Shop Bedford First cards, business lunch mailing and one more portable sign for Shop Bedford First. However, there is a chance that the Commission will not use the money allocated or marketing the 2013 Energy Fair out of this budget.

REPORTS

3. Discussion and possible action related to Community Affairs Commission Sub-Committee activities:
 - a) Business Outreach – Sarah Sisson and Steve Grubbs

The meeting is set for September 13. Flyers are made. The Mayor is set to discuss the positive impact of the Tollway. Bill Sybon and Police Chief Roger Gibson also set to

speak. Flyers will be sent out next week by Wednesday. One Shop Bedford First portable sign was set up last month and another will be set up on September 5 at Forest Ridge and L. Don Dodson.

b) Residential Outreach – Gary Morlock

The meeting is set for September 6 and letter has already been sent out. It was also listed in the Bedford Connection. The next outreach meeting will be a January/February timeframe.

c) Faith Base Outreach – Cody Walker and Jeremy Brown

The Faith based outreach meeting will be pushed to early next year since it is already too late for this year.

d) Alternative Energy – David Franklin

A possible solar project with the 6 Stones pavilion was mentioned since they cannot have electricity run to it. David Franklin said he would look into it.

4. Discussion and possible action related to Community Events:

a) 6Stones – Cody Walker/Jeremy Brown

b) July 4th – Sarah Sisson

c) BluesFest – Cynthia Williams

The City does not need any volunteers. The possibility of setting up a CAC booth at the festival was discussed; however the Commission does not have the resources available to man a booth for the entire weekend.

d) National Night Out – Gary Morlock

e) Christmas Tree Lighting – Cody Walker

The date for the Tree Lighting is November 30.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discussion and possible action related to the proposed Single Family Home Rental Ordinance. Presentation by Amy Sabol, Bedford Homeowner.

Amy Sabol was not present at the meeting, therefore this was not discussed.

6. Discussion and possible action on a community outreach proposal.

This is a proposal by Roy Savage to have a City of Bedford Symposium at the Library where each City department would have a table to set up and discuss what they do. Possible dates mentioned were November 8 or 15. The CAC thought that it may be difficult to set something up that quickly. It was also mentioned that this could be done in conjunction with the Energy Fair in April of 2013. David Franklin and Roy Savage will discuss and work up the details. A motion was made to present details when available to the City Council by Jeremy Brown and was seconded by Gary Morlock and passed unanimously.

Gary Morlock brought up the idea of a possible incentive program to shop along the construction zone. Mr. Morlock will look into it more and present at the September CAC meeting.

Mark Massey has created a Shop Bedford First Facebook page as a citizen page that is not associated with the City of Bedford. It already seems to be spreading.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made at 6:48 by Jeremy Brown and seconded by Gary Morlock and passed unanimously.

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Approved:

Mark Massey, Chairperson