

Community Affairs Commission Minutes May 20, 2021

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 pm at City Hall Building C on Thursday, the 20th day of May 2021, with the following members present:

Margaret Hall
Terry Sullivan
Josh Ulupano
Maritza Riley

Lucy Snearley
Nicole Drouin
TJ Manor

Constituting a quorum

Others Present:

Meg Jakubik – City Staff Representative

Absent:

Joshua Renken
Amy Sabol – City Council Liaison

Mary Frazier

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairwoman, Margaret Hall, called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME

Acting Chairwoman, Margaret Hall, welcomed the committee and suggested that goals of the committee should be planned.

ELECTION OF OFFICER

1. Election of Secretary of the Community Affairs Commission

Commissioner Drouin nominated Lucy Snearley. Commissioner Sullivan seconded. Commission Snearley was elected unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Review/revise and approve minutes of the following Community Affairs Commission meetings:

a) March 18, 2021

Commissioner Manor moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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NEW BUSINESS

3. Review and possible action regarding Subcommittee Director Reports:

a) Residential Outreach

An in-person Residential Outreach will be planned to take place between late September and mid-October. Commissioner Sullivan volunteered to host the event at the Movie Tavern on either a Monday or Wednesday night. Commissioner Sullivan and Staff Liaison Jakubik will check calendars to find the best date and time. The Commission will need to come up with an agenda approximately a month in advance to promote the event to the residents. The Commission would like to resume block parties. Since there are several vacancies on the Commission and these parties take a huge amount of planning, it was decided to wait until late spring to plan these after the vacant seats are filled. It will be decided later whether to plan the block parties according to HOA's or school zones.

b) Business Outreach

Business Director Manor encouraged members of the Commission to continue seeking businesses to participate in the coupon program. There are still quite a few businesses that have not been contacted, particularly those on the west end of Harwood. A Business Outreach will also be planned in the Fall to take place at the Movie Tavern. The agenda will be very similar to that of the Residential Outreach.

4. Council Liaison Report

There was no report.

5. Staff Liaison Report

"Talk Bedford" clips will be resumed after a staff opening is filled and time permits. Bill Walker has been hired as the new Fire Chief and will begin his position on June 14. City Council meetings are now open to the public with masks optional. The traditional summer meeting schedule was reviewed, with final meeting plans to be emailed to the Commission once confirmed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Manor moved to adjourn and Commissioner Drouin seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:06 pm.

Margaret Hall, Acting Chairwoman