



Blakely City Council Minutes

Work Session
February 7, 2022, City Hall, 5:00 P.M.

The Mayor called the work session to order. Mayor Travis Wimbush, Councilmember Margaret Davis, and Councilmember Brad Clenney were all present at the start.

Ms. Elizabeth Peace gave an update on the Senior Center. Ms. Peace is one of a group of members that has taken over since Gwen Houston left the center to take another job. Ms. Peace addressed the Mayor and Council stating that membership has increased. She thanked the Mayor and Council for things they have done. She stated that their vision is to make the Senior Center grow more and offer more opportunities available. She stated that they are working on crafts starting back, two exercise bikes and puzzles. She stated that since they don't have funds coming in they charge \$3.00 for lunch which is the contribution for the next lunch. She stated that they have formed committees and are taking member input before anything is requested of the Mayor and Council. She spoke about the walking trail and stated they are interested in carrying on that item along with line dancing, tai chi and quilting. She spoke about starting to post on FB. The Mayor informed the Council that the refrigerator and freezer has been purchased along with the outside lights being fixed for safety purposes. The Mayor stated that the walking trail is more of a priority than the pickleball court. He stated that some items that need to be fixed have been brought to his attention. He discussed what had transpired when SOWEGA pulled out and items that need to be removed (exercise equipment and desks.) He also informed the Council that the floors and kitchen had been cleaned. The Mayor stated that the Seniors are interested in working with C-Hope to possibly re-locate so that the craft room would again be available to them.

There was a brief discussion about whether to move forward with the revised alcohol ordinance. There was discussion as to whether the ordinance could be adopted at the regular meeting as a first or second reading to which the City Attorney stated that it was a second reading since a first had already been done and this was with revisions after that meeting.

The work session was adjourned.

Travis Wimbush, Mayor