



## **Meeting Minutes**

Leisure Services Advisory Board

August 5, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Sunrise Civic Center Community Room

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by board Vice-chair, Todd Shipley.

## **Moment of Silence**

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

## **Roll Call**

Present: Lorelei Boyden, Peter Fox, Hazel Kistow-Vasquez, Larry (Todd) Shipley, Satnarine Ricketts-Weller

Absent: Danny Perez, Tonya Nolen Williams

City Liaison: Maria Little, Deputy Director of Leisure Services

## **Open Discussion**

## **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2024 Leisure Services Advisory Board Meeting was made by Lorelei Boyden and seconded by Peter Fox. The motion carried without board opposition.

## **Old Business**

### Past Special Events

- 7/4 Celebration-
  - Parade (Under the Sea) & Family Fun Day- 62 parade entrants, Attendance- 2,000  
Lorelei Boyden shared that the parade was well organized, there were more floats than last year, she had fun judging the floats and really enjoyed the entertainment between the floats.
  - Concert & Fireworks- Lisa Lisa & The Cover Girls- Attendance- 20,000
- 8/3, Back to School Splash- Attendance- 2,700  
Kevin Pickard shared that staff is currently working with the Sunrise schools to give out backpacks that are left over from the event.

### Past Theatre Shows and Programs

- 6/8, 2pm, 7pm & 6/9, 2pm- Legally Blonde-The Musical (Broadway Kids Studio)- 3 shows- 587
- 6/22, 10am- The Little Mermaid- Poolside Meet & Greet- 9am- Attendance: 54
- 6/23, 2pm- Rapunzel (Curtain Call Playhouse) – Attendance- 167
- 7/12, 7pm & 7/13, 2pm- Shrek the Musical Jr. (Broadway Kids Studio)- 2 shows-: 384
- 7/26, 7-9pm- Theatre- Lyrical Lounge- 20 performers

## **New Business**

Fire Rescue Programs- Guest speaker, Danielle DiGiacomo, Fire Prevention Specialist, gave an overview of the programs available through Sunrise Fire Rescue. Programs include educational fire prevention presentations at elementary schools and pre-schools, the Community Paramedic Resource Access Program (connects residents with appropriate medical, mental health, and social resources), and two volunteer programs - Fire Explorers for teens and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for adults.

Lorelei Boyden was interested in the Yellow Dot Program, in which one would place a yellow dot decal on the rear driver's window of their car to alert first responders that there is a medical information card in the glove box. Satnarine Ricketts-Weller was interested in setting up an informational meeting for the residents at the Sunrise Lakes Phase where she lives. Todd Shipley asked about the Child Safety Seat Program. He was informed that car seats are not always available but to reach out the Fire Rescue office.

Youth Athlete of the Month- The board reviewed the nominations from the Youth Recreation Basketball Program. Discussion followed. The board recommended that Luke Bell and Olivia Simpson receive the Youth Athlete of the Month Awards. The nominees will be recognized at the September 10<sup>th</sup> City Commission Meeting.

#### Upcoming Special Events

- 8/6- 5-8pm- Civic Center- National Night Out (Police Dept.)- Free admission
- 8/16- 7-9:30pm- SAC Multipurpose Bldg.- Back to School Dance (Special Populations)- Free admission

#### Upcoming Theatre Shows and Programs

- 8/23- 6-9pm- Lyrical Lounge- Workshop/Open Mic Night
- 8/30- 6pm- Art Gallery Reception- Las Flores de Mi Vida (abstract geometric style paintings)

#### **Good of the Order**

Lorelei Boyden suggested implementing a new Senior Center program where isolated seniors can meet with a volunteer at a park bench to chat. They have this program in Salem, MA. And it is called "Happy to Chat". Ms. Boyden had previously spoken to Kevin Pickard about it and wanted to share it with the other board members.

Todd Shipley added that he heard about a program where volunteers would come to the Senior Center and seek out a certain senior to talk about their life, as you would check out a book in the library.


Maria Little responded that both ideas would be brought back to staff to see if they would be a good fit for seniors here in Sunrise.

Todd Shipley shared that he would love to see a bike lane that goes from Sunrise to the beach.

#### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Satnarine Ricketts-Weller and seconded by Lorelei Boyden. Motion carried without board opposition.

Transcribed by:



Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary