

Kennesaw Citizens Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2019

City Hall, Mayor and Council Chambers 2529 J.O. Stephenson Ave. Kennesaw, Georgia 30144

Members Present: (7) Joyce Yung, David Shock, Kathy Rechsteiner, Carlene Fregeolle, Bobby Copeland, Michelle Newman, and Antonio Jones [a quorum is achieved with at least one-third (1/3) of the roster members (currently 11) of KCAC being present]

Members Absent: (4) Bill Maxson, Candice Wharton, Glenn Dawkins, Jacque Cullins

Guests present: (2) Carlene Fregeolle's husband, Rebecca Graham (Speaker)

Meeting Facilitator: David Shock

I. Call to Order: David Shock called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes of the March 28, 2019, meeting

Michelle Newman moved, Bobby Copeland seconded, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried (8-0).

III. New Business

A. Speaker, Communications and Social Media Director Rebecca Graham

- 1. Currently has several city engagement ideas for the citizens of Kennesaw: (6:33pm-7:14pm)
- a. New mobile app in currently in Beta testing for the city. Some of the features include access to the city website and a showing for restaurants in your area based on location. An estimated date of release is tentatively scheduled for May 2019 based on testing reviews.
- b. The City's social media websites are as follows: {Twitter @cityofkennesaw} {Instagram @cityofkennesawga} {Facebook @cityofkennesaw} Additionally if the members of the board would like a link to the new testing of the mobile app and website you can email Rebecca (rgraham@kennessaw-ga.gov)
- c. On the Facebook social media we have Freebie Fridays that are occasionally put up that includes scavenger hunts

2. Tax exemption update for senior citizens (7:14pm-8:00pm)

The committee discussed several ideas for the current tax exemption policy that has been a topic of discussion recently. David Shock presented a handout of policies that currently exist in our area. One topic that was widely agreed upon is a total abolishment of the exemption is definitely not the answer for the citizens of Kennesaw, additionally if any changes were to be made, a more simplified approach would be the best policy instead of weighing percentages or utilizing property value to determine if you would pay or not.

3. Committee Membership Update 8:00pm-8.03pm)

Due to frequent absences or by written notice the following members are being removed from the KCAC member roster: Joan Henely, Teresa Huey and Karen Gitau. Current membership now stands at 11 members.

4. Cemetery Cleanup 8:03pm-8.11pm)

May 4th will cleanup of the cemetery and tree dedication will take place. Also Joyce Yung has reported the golf tournament was a success

IV. Old Business

None

V. Miscellaneous ~ Discuss any other items members deem appropriate

None

VI. Adjournment

David Shock Adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm. The next meeting is on Thursday, May 23, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Copeland, Secretary