

Emmett Scott Advisory Committee Minutes
February 7, 2022
Emmett Scott Center
6:00 PM

Members Present: Antonio Mickel, Jonathan Nazeer, Natasha Jones, Etta Ziegler, Donna Smarr

Members Absent: Alonzo Lumpkin, Josephine Jordan, Tammy Gaither, Daniel Hasegawa,

Citizen Comments:

1st Class Events – Stephen Loney, Sharvonna Loney, NuffCed, Tiffany Miller

- Picture Pages, bringing books and life situations to the stage while entertaining and educating.
- Picture Pages will benefit Emmett Scott Center by bringing culture and entertainment back to the center and assisting in raising funds for the remodel of McGirt Auditorium.

Elaine Wilmore – City of Rock Hill Economic and Urban Development

- Received a grant through the National League of Cities for an Opportunity Youth Center. The purpose is to reengage youth between the ages of 16 – 24 by giving them the resources to establish a successful future.
- Applied for a \$50,000 National Trust Historic Preservation grant to have a feasibility study of Emmett Scott Center (excluding McGirt Auditorium) done. The study will give insight on future updates to the center.
- Applying for a \$35,000 South Carolina Department of Archive and History Grant that will be used to identify historic sites, 50 years or older, on the Southside of Rock Hill.
- A Town Hall meeting will be held on March 22, 2022, at Emmett Scott, McGirt Auditorium. The community will be educated on the Clinton Connexion Action Plan, updates in the community and available services.

Tynetta Moore

- We Lit Festival – April 23, 2022, Noon – 4 PM. The festival will focus on financial and health literacy.
- iKid – Will be partnering with other organizations to offer a kid entrepreneur program. Through this program, kids will have the opportunity to receive investments into their business.
- Juneteenth Parade on Crawford Road – June 18, 2022
- Partnering with other community leaders to host monthly networking events. The purpose is to have all community leaders work together instead of individually on the same the same projects.

Old Business/New Business:

- Community Garden Update
 - Victory Gardens International has raised over \$200,000 through grants and contributions that will be used on equipment.
 - The garden is in the final stages of the City of Rock Hill permitting process.
 - Registration for the Silver Gardening Club will begin in March. There will be 20 raised beds for seniors who want to grow their own food.
 - Applying for a charter for the 4-H Club that will be using the garden.
 - Victory Gardens International will have a Seed Crew program for youth ages 14 – 17. Youth will work with staff in the garden June 6 – July 15, 2022 to grow

vegetables and distribute produce while developing leadership, teamwork, workplace and civic skill.

- Jonathan Nazeer spoke to the Mayor's office about a proclamation to name Feb. 13 Emmett J. Scott Day in Rock Hill.
- Clinton College is looking to hire 10 health advocates. Apply on the Clinton College website.
- Antonio Mickel spoke to Lisa Brown, Rock Hill City Management, about putting a rendering of the future McGirt Auditorium in front of the existing site.

Programs Update/Upcoming Events

- **Programs:** Zumba (Mondays), 30/30 Exercise Class (Tuesdays), Seniorcise (Tuesdays & Thursdays); Boxing Club (Monday – Thursday), Emmett Scott Community Basketball League (Mondays & Wednesdays), Open Gym (Monday – Thursday)

Finance:

Rock Hill Parks Foundation Account balance is \$2,516.56.

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM

Next Meeting: April 12, 2022