



City of Berkeley
Betterment Commission
September 3, 2025
4pm on Zoom

The Meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm on Wednesday, September 3, 2025.

Members Present: Tracy Cole, Tracie Anthony, Carolyn Crimes, Jean Holmes, Ebonee Shaw, Fatima Shurn, Shirley Terry, and Brenda Williams

Old Business:

- Approval of minutes: It was motioned to amend the meeting minutes from June 2025 due to Mrs. Shirley Terry name was absent from the meeting. Mrs. Shirley Terry 1st motioned to amend, correct, and approve the meeting minutes from June 4, 2025. Ebonee Shaw 2nd the motion to amend, correct, and approve the meeting minutes from June 4, 2025. All members were in favor. Motion passed.
- Provided dates of upcoming events:
Saturday, October 11, 2025 Oldie But Goodie Dance
Saturday, November 15, 2025 Turkey Give-A-Way
Saturday, December 20, 2025 Toy Give-A-Way
*Unfortunately, we will not be having the December 2025 Vendor Event due to all dates were taken for the Civic Center. We will try again for next year.

New Business:

- Discussion of members showing up late to events, not in uniform, leaving early, same people cleaning up and shutting down events.
- Oldie But Goodie Dance on Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 8pm to 12pm.
- Discussion of gifts being purchased for raffle table; big ticket items discussed to be purchased.
- It was decided on the amount of money made from the Oldie But Goodie Dance determines how much will be spent on the Toy Give-A-Way.
- Chairman will have tickets and flyers for Oldie But Goodie Dance printed out next week for dissemination to committee members to sell.
- We will keep same procedures for giving out toys in the neighborhood and the school district. An email link will be used to send out thru the school district and children will be chosen that way.
- Time was changed for the Toy Give-A-Way to 12pm to 2pm.
- Toys for Tots website has not opened to apply for these toys as of this meeting. Staying on top of this awaiting on portal to open up so we can apply.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:00 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 4:00 PM