

## **MINUTES OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Date: July 11, 2005 ~ Location: Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles**

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### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairperson Dutra called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Secretary Clark led the pledge of allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Secretary Clark passed the roll sheet around:

All members present: Reneé Clark, Edna DeBardelaben, Helen Dutra, Robert Fonarow,  
Richard Gruner, Dale Gustin, Grace Myers, Jack Sloan and Jan  
Stemper-Brown

All staff present: Lynda Holt, Charlotte Gorton, Ann Robb and Judy O'Neal

City Council rep: Fred Strong

Guests: Ashley White, American Legion Commander and John Crisalli, VFW  
Commander

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Member Brown advised the participation in the public's use of the bus transportation provided to the Concerts in the Park series has been successful.

### **PRESENTATIONS** - None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. A motion was made by Clark, seconded by DeBardelaben, to approve the Minutes of the June 13, 2005 meeting - motion passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2. Introduction of New Members**

- Lynda Holt, Recreation Coordinator, introduced and welcomed new members Grace Myers, Richard Gruner and Robert Fonarow. Each member gave a brief presentation of themselves and their interest in the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.
- Staff introduced themselves to the new members and guests.

3. **Election of 2005-2006 Officers**

- A motion was made by DeBardelaben, seconded by Gruner, to nominate Helen Dutra as Chairperson. No one opposed and motion passed.
- A motion was made by DeBardelaben, seconded by Dutra, to nominate Jan Stemper-Brown as Vice-Chairperson. No one opposed and motion passed.
- A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Dutra, to re-nominate Reneé Clark as Secretary. Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant will assist Clark in the Minutes. No one opposed and motion passed.

4. **Senior Citizen Handbook and Bylaws**

- Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager and Judy O'Neal updated the Senior Citizen Advisory Member Handbook for their information. Please read the Handbook that will be included in new member packets.
- Also discussed the 2005 Brown Act included with the Handbook and briefly discussed the guideline for members – members cannot meet secretly in a group of four members or more and discuss senior citizen advisory business. Councilman Strong also discussed the strict guidelines of the Brown Act.

5. **Senior Picnic with Veterans**

- Holt introduced Ashley White, American Legion Commander and John Crisalli, VFW Commander. Holt was asked to invite the VFW guests to discuss changing the venue for the senior picnic. VFW would like to do a joint venue.
- John Crisalli recommended having the picnic at the senior center because the majority of the senior population surrounds the center and the Veterans would barbecue. He also stated there has been discussion about joining the two buildings for multi-purpose usage for both the seniors and veterans. The Veterans could hold their annual meeting in the dining room which would accommodate a large group.
- Ashley White advised he is working on building a new barbecue between the Senior Center and the Veterans Center.
- Holt advised she will work with staff to set a date to meet with the Veterans and start plans for the 2006 Senior Picnic.

6. **Senior Endowment Report**

- As of 6/24/05 there is a balance of \$337,522.47 in the S.E.Fund.

**OLD BUSINESS**

7. **Juneteenth Update**

- Edna DeBardelaben, member and chairperson for Juneteenth gave an update on the successful and well attended annual event.

8. **Senior Activity Updates**

- Holt advised the seniors received a special treat today from a violinist who plays for the Mozart Festival. He played three songs.
- Discussed August programs, trip to Monterey Bay Aquarium on 7/13 and the July 21 Luau potluck.
- Every Friday in July is Grandkid Camp.

## **GOALS & AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- Members agreed to use their regular meeting on September 12 to establish their 2005-2006 Goals and Ad Hoc Committees. O'Neal will include copies of previous goals in the agenda packets.
- Ad Hoc member terms are for one year and members are chosen once a year.
- 2004-2005 existing Transportation Committee will meet in the fall to see if there is need in the city for a transportation committee.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

Annie Robb discussed:

1. Robb gave an update on the City's Cost of Service Fee Study. The City Council is interested in a full cost recovery for facility rentals and received a lot of discussion including concerns and dissatisfaction. Council has decided to hold a workshop for the public to voice their interest and concerns. This project has been over a year. Councilman Strong discussed the input from the Ad Hoc Committee.
2. It was discussed since the senior center is a public facility, it will be affected in the Council's decision on facility rental fee recovery. Factors of staffing, renting during and after regular hours, janitorial, etc. were discussed. Members voiced concern about the bad condition from the public renting the old Senior Center at 940 Park Street. The furniture and facility was damaged from the public's use.

## **DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Senior Citizens - Lynda Holt discussed:

1. Holt discussed the internal recruitment for a part-time clerical assistant was approved by the city. She introduced Ceola Corella who is temporarily working 20 hours a week in a clerical position for Lynda at the Senior Center. Ceola was working as an assistant to the Sports Coordinator at Centennial Park.
2. Holt advised the new members and reminded the existing members that when Dottie Enright calls the members monthly for the RSVP for the senior meetings to please return her call. It is not just a reminder call, the members need to call back Dottie back at the senior center (237-3880) advising if they will or will not be attending to determine if we have a quorum.

Recreation - Charlotte Gorton discussed:

1. City Council has approved the final design for the Sherwood Park Forrest playground and the anticipated completion date is summer of 2006.
2. Centennial Park enhancements.
3. Concerts in the City Park attendance is running 700 to 1,000 people, which is the best ever. Public seems to be enjoying the music, dancing and refreshments served.
4. Indoor pool re-design and the new summer aquatic staff at both pools.
5. Salinas River trail project.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

Councilman Strong discussed:

1. 13<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge update.
2. Purple Belt to determine open space and limiting geography constraints around city.
3. City Council hiring the ADA consultant. Handicap parking can not be put in the street but can go in the park.

4. Downtown parking consultant will meet June 11 and look at all forms of parking in the downtown core are, multi-level parking, etc.

#### **UNSCHEDULED MATTERS**

- Vice-Chairperson Dutra reminded members there is no meeting in August.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

- A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Sloan, to adjourn the meeting at 3 p.m. - motion passed.
- Adjourn to next regular meeting on Monday, September 12, 2005, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles.

**THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 9/12/05 MEETING –  
AUGUST WAS DARK MONTH.**

Respectfully submitted by Renee' Clark, Secretary and Judy O'Neal, Admin. Asst.

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