

MINUTES OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 10, 2006 ~ Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Dutra called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Stemper-Brown led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Clark took roll as follows:

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

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

City Council rep present: Fred Strong

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Member Gruner stated there were 90 people at the Salvation Army event held at the Senior Center and he wanted to thank the Advisory Committee again for waiving the facility fees. He said it was the best reception ever.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine, and, therefore do not require separate discussion. However, if discussion is necessary, or if a member of the public wishes to comment on any item, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately. Questions of clarification may be made by the Advisory members without removal from the Agenda.

1. A motion was made by Member Clark, seconded by De Bardelaben, to approve the Minutes of the March 13, 2006 meeting – motion passed.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

2. **Older American's Barbecue**
 - Lynda Holt, Recreation Coordinator-Senior Citizens, sent around a sign-up sheet for the Advisory Committee members to sign up for the various duties. The Morning Rotary Club will lend us their BBQ pit and help barbecue in the front parking lot of the Senior Center, next to the kitchen area. We will put the tables and chairs in between the two

buildings. Charlotte suggested arranging the tables and chairs close to the barbecue area, which attracts people.

- The cost is \$7 for members, \$8 for non-members and \$6 for pre-sale ticket. Flyers are approved and will go out this week to advertise the event.
- We have not received any sponsors so far for the picnic.
- Lynda will put out ballots for Senior of the Year this week. Mayor Mecham will present this award at the barbecue. Busi's usually donates the gift certificate; this year we will request a certificate from Manor Grill.
- We will have 20 extra volunteers helping from a college class that will be doing community hours.

3. **Senior Activity Update**

Lynda gave Senior update as follows:

March events at the Senior Center:

- EOC held a successful fundraiser.
- We had a movie with 25 people and all the traditional trimmings of popcorn and drinks.
- We had 74 attend the Senior Nutrition St. Patrick's Day luncheon and everyone was filled with a lot of energy, singing and had a lot of fun.
- Lynda had her First Tea Party at the Senior Center and it was very successful. There were two new people she met and was glad to introduce to the senior center.
- Our Friday Social had a magic show and we had participants from the Senior Nutrition join in since it was right after lunch.

April events:

- Shinzen Japanese Garden trip was canceled due to the rain and rescheduled to April 30 with 42 that still want to go on the trip - only four people cancelled.
- We are having our annual Easter Bonnet Parade at the Senior Center on the 14th.
- Did everyone get their Volunteer Reception invitations for 4/18? Members were asked to RSVP soon.
- Karaoke will be at the Senior Center 4/21.
- We are having another movie on 4/27.
- Chairperson Dutra advised there were 102 people at the Big Band dance on 4/7/06.

4. **Senior Endowment Monthly Report**

The report balance as of 3/24/06 was \$321,027.76.

GOALS & AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Transportation.

- Member Sloan discussed the City Transit meeting he and Stemper-Brown attended along with 25 members of the community. Selena Barlow and Cliff Chambers facilitated the meeting.

Member Stemper-Brown asked Councilman Strong about transportation access to primarily Albertsons, Food-For-Less and Vons? No accommodations have been made regarding access to bus stop pavilions.

- Councilman Strong discussed Laid Law, hours of operation, Villa Paseo, Sunday Service, the Super loop in Atascadero, folding in Templeton service, ADA analysis due next year, Fixed Route, Transit study, etc.
- Lynda advised some good news is RSVP can insure 50 additional volunteers to take seniors to and from doctor appointments.
- Lynda advised an RFP went out to implement a county grant and that Jody Dauth of Finance has secured the Bus Buddy grant program.
- Lynda and Member Stemper-Brown discussed the Summer Concerts 2006 transportation for seniors. Lynda researched the best method of transportation for the concert series. The Ride-On Program was \$2,000, the school's bus program was \$1200 and the car pool service would be cheaper. Therefore, we think we should go with the carpool volunteers program.

Fundraiser - Black Tie Bingo Event

Member Fonarow handed out the Minutes of the April 7 Ad Hoc Minutes in detail and discussed:

- Sponsors are platinum, gold, silver and bronze.
- All Senior Advisory members are involved in this event and asked to supply a gift equivalent to \$100 or more. There are nine games and the prizes are the gifts supplied by each Senior Advisory Committee member.
- Members agreed to contact some of the sponsors listed in the minutes to ask if they would be a major sponsor.
- Discussed food, beverages, cost of event, cost of extra Bingo cards, marketing, etc.
- Charlotte will meet with REC Foundation on Wednesday to vote if they will be their fiduciary. She will let them know as soon as possible.
- There will be 240 seats for sale.

INTERIM-DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Annie stated:

- The Library flyer rack expenditure was approved by the City Council.
- Robb discussed Centennial Park Grand Opening held on April 7. It was nice to see a lot of teens participating. There is a new slide in the large pool area, new water toys in the children's pool, the roller hockey/ basketball court is all lined and ready, the children's playground, adjacent the parking lot is finished and the par course is ready for people to work out on their walks.
- The next groundbreaking ceremony will be at Sherwood Park. The tentative date is set for 4/28 at 4 p.m.
- Concerts in the City Park are organized and the food vendors are matched up with the bands playing each week. The major sponsor is J. Lohr Winery.
- The annual Kite Fest is scheduled 4/29 at Barney Schwartz Park.
- Fishing Derby is 7/22/06.

- We are all working very hard to get the summer Activity Guide out and it should hit the streets by May 5, 2006, so mark your calendar so you can get signed up for your favorite event.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Recreation

- Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, advised the Lifeguard Training is going on right now at Centennial Park. We hire many summer swim staff out of this class. Right now, we have 22 people in training.
- The Municipal Pool is closed for re-plastering so the High School and North County Aquatics are using Centennial Pool for their aquatics programs.
- The Indoor pool plans are finished and the City will be ready to go out to bid soon. It will be shut down for reconstruction and hope the work is done in the summer. This way, we can relocate our patrons in the outdoor pool until the indoor is finished.
- We had to cancel our Monster Skate Event at the beginning of April and it has been re-scheduled for 4/22 at Pioneer Park. This event is a series of skateboard competitions going on all over the county.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Fred Strong

- Councilman Strong is on his way to a meeting to discuss the City's pavement schedule to fill in the potholes and the maintenance of city streets and alleyways,
- We received approval from SLOCOG for Hwy 46 E & 101 Interchange.
- We have received more than \$6 million dollars towards this project.
- Council is working on the Chandler, Olsen & Beechwood Project plans.

UNSCHEDULED MATTER - None

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion was made by Member Fonarow, seconded by Member Gustin to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m. - motion passed.
- The Senior Citizen Advisory meeting is Monday, May 8, 2006, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446.

These Minutes were approved at their May 8, 2006 meeting.