

MINUTES OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 8, 2010 ~ Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Gustin called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Ragle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Steve Austin, Beverly Bridges, Donn Ragle, Joni Watson, Bill Pluma, Dale Gustin, Jan Stemper-Brown, and Marie Brinkmeyer
Absent: Sandra Nemeth
City staff present: Judy O'Neal, Charlotte Gorton, and Lynda Holt
Absent: Annie Robb
City Council reps absent: Mayor Duane Picanco and Council Ed Steinbeck
Guest(s): Michael Seden-Hansen, City's Transit Coordinator and Lorraine Friedman

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Seden-Hansen, City Transit Coordinator, discussed:

1. The second annual Go Green and ride free on March 17 St. Patrick's Day to promote public transportation.
2. Michael advised at the March 2 City Council meeting there was discussion about looking for alternative cost cutting for the Dial-A-Ride Program. There will be no action until the April City Council meeting. If you have input, please contact him.
3. Chairman Gustin would like to put transportation on the April agenda for an update from Michael.
4. Lorraine Friedman spoke in support of Dial a Ride.
5. Lynda Holt, Senior Citizen Coordinator, noted that Cindy Blake from Rideshare will be present at the Senior Center March 25, from 11-12 noon to answer questions regarding Dial-A-Ride, senior shuttle service, and Runabout service in our community.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. It was moved and seconded by Austin/ Pluma to approve the Minutes of the February 8, 2010 meeting - motion carried.
2. **Senior Endowment Report**
The Senior Endowment report was received and filed with a balance of \$ 260,943.18 dated 2/22/10.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

3. **Review Assistance Options for Low Income Seniors**
 - Lynda gave a thorough outline of the various senior services available (some that are free) in our county. Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, passed out the updated Senior 2009-2011 Information Guide for the San Luis Obispo County.
 - Member Pluma added another resource for information is the Salvation Army.
4. **Recruiting Three New Members**
 - Charlotte handed out an Advisory Committee application. She asked for members to help recruit interested prospective applicants to fill the three vacancies on the Senior Advisory Committee as of June 30, 2010. The deadline to turn in an application is Friday, April 30 and the best form of recruiting new members is by word-of-mouth in Paso Robles.
 - Members would like to know if you have to live within the city limits to be a member of the City's advisory committee/commissions. Judy O'Neal, department secretary, will send the answer to them via email.

GOAL UPDATES

Promote Senior Activities (*Watson, Stemper-Brown, and Pluma*)

- Vice-Chairman Austin recommends staff use the same informational presentation done by Lynda today for a senior retreat and recruitment of new members. Steve suggested we plan a July retreat.
- Member Stemper-Brown advised she will not be at the April nor the May Senior advisory meetings. Therefore, she is recommending Donn Ragle take over her position on this ad hoc committee.

Promote Volunteerism (*Brinkmeyer, Austin, and Bridges*)

- The committee has not met yet.
- Member Brinkmeyer advised there is a R.S.V.P. Volunteer event with 30 agencies participating from 10-12 noon at the St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Pismo.

Fundraising (*Nemeth, Austin, and Pluma*)

- Lynda recommended moving the Black Tie Bingo to the Paso Robles Golf Club instead of Centennial Park. It would be less expensive, less work, and we could use their place settings, bar, food, etc. Plus, the ambiance is nice with the patio and large windows.
- All members supported Lynda's decision

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CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

- Lynda reviewed the special events highlighted in the March Boomer & Senior Newsletter.
- Lynda also informed members that the Senior Citizen facility is not rented out after regular work days or hours Monday through Friday or on week ends from 8-5 p.m.
- Charlotte thanked Member Brinkmeyer for attending the annual Parks and Recreation Commissioners workshop and tour held at Hearst Castle.
- CPRS District 8 announced their annual awards. CPRS District 8 spans from the Los Angeles to San Ardo area. The City of Paso Robles recreation division received the following three awards:
 - **Professional of the Year – Dan Vejtasa** from LRS
 - **Facility Brochure – Trine Marlen** from LRS
 - **Champion of the Community Award – Transitions Food Group – Paso Robles Demonstration Garden** at Centennial Park

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS

- All members reported receiving their “email packets” this month without a problem.
- Chairman Gustin asked about the next Senior Prom. Lynda advised Trine Marlen, Recreation Coordinator, is planning for October 2010 because of the band.
- Joni would like to have an agenda packet sent to her work email in addition to her personal email.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded by Gustin/Stemper-Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 p.m. - motion carried. Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 4/12/10 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by secretaries: Beverly Bridges and Judy O’Neal