

MINUTES OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: January 9, 2006 ~ Location: 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 Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Secretary O'Neal took roll as follows:

Members present: Edna DeBardelaben, Helen Dutra, Robert Fonarow, Grace Myers,
Jack Sloan, and Jan Stemper-Brown

Absent: Reneé Clark, Richard Gruner and Dale Gustin

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

City Council rep: Fred Strong

Guest: Eleanor Nye

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

PRESENTATIONS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Stemper-Brown, seconded by DeBardelaben, to approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2006 meeting - motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Senior Activity Update**
 - Lynda Holt, Recreation Coordinator – Senior Citizens, gave an update on all the December holiday activities, 2006 trips, Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration at the Senior Center on January 13 and more.
3. **Senior Endowment Monthly Report**
 - Balance as of 12/28/05 was \$333,505.09.

GOALS & AD HOC COMMUNICATIONS

Fundraising

- Chairman Fonarow has no report since December meeting.

- Next Ad Hoc meeting is January 27 at 1 pm at the Senior Center.
- The Goal is to raise \$27,000 from the signature Black Tie Bingo event.

Transportation

- Holt advised there is a free Transit workshop scheduled and is advertised in the Spring Leisure Guide for the public to attend.
- Councilman Strong discussed new brochure and outreach, Council's Ad Hoc Committee to prepare transportation update.
- Discussed Provide-A-ride program with RSVP with volunteer drivers.
- Unmet Needs public hearing is February 8, 2006.
- Councilman Strong said to be sure and send all information to the City to help ensure federal funding. If we do not meet the 20% recovery cost, the City could lose this funding.
- This committee will meet with Robb to discuss drafting a letter.

INTERIM-DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Ann Robb, Interim Director, included in the agenda packet the Mayor's State of the City Address and the LRS 2005 Activities, Accomplishments and Issues.
- The City will focus on the Economic Strategy, State sales tax measure and Cuesta College tax bond proposal for \$310 million. Some of this money will go towards the North County campus in Paso Robles.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Senior Center – Lynda Holt discussed:

- She advised the Senior Center is very well advertised in the new Spring Leisure Guide coming out soon – be sure to look us up and view the senior section.

Recreation – Charlotte Gorton discussed:

- REC, Inc. retreat is Saturday, January 14 at Cass Winery from 9 am to 4 pm on enhancing the concerts in the City Park summer series.
- Project updates: Sherwood Park Master Plan was awarded and Phase I will begin construction soon, Centennial Park renovation, Municipal Pool will be closed to replaster and the patrons will be using Centennial Pool.
- We are starting our rehire recruitment for the 2006 Summer Aquatics program.
- Chad Dawson, Recreation Coordinator – Sports, received a letter of recognition and event endorsement from the California Governor's Council – Arnold Schwarzenegger on December 20, 2005 (included in your packet as FYI).

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Fred Strong discussed:

- Numerous personnel issues the city is currently experiencing with long-time employees retiring, training new hires, etc.
- City Council will be making a decision about the Melody Park basin drain storm/flood retention in a public workshop and closing this project in April 2006.
- City Manager has asked Council to slow down on new projects due to the lack of personnel.
- Discussed tentative action on the City Park merry-go-round and would like to see a working item in the park again.

- Member Sloan asked about construction on several new hotels planned for the City.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS - None

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion was made by Fonarow, seconded by DeBardelaben, to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. - motion passed.
- Adjourn to next regular meeting on Monday, March 13, 2006, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 2/13/06 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by Renee' Clark, Secretary

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