

MINUTES OF THE
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 8, 2007 ~ 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 Mastin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Clark passed the roll sheet around for attendance:

Members present: Barbara Mastin, Grace Myers, Edna DeBardelaben, Helen Dutra,
Reneè Clark, Jan Stemper-Brown and Bob Fonarow

Absent: Richard Gruner

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

City Council rep: Fred Strong

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Myers, seconded by DeBardelaben, to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2006 meeting - motion passed.
2. The Senior Endowment Fund balance as of 12/21/06 was \$ 294,609.88.

BUSINESS

3. **Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration update**
 - Chairperson, Edna DeBardelaben, reminded members this event is Friday, January 12, at 10:30 a.m. and is hoping everyone will attend. Mayor Mecham is the guest speaker. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. with a special meal provided by Senior Nutrition; please make reservations for lunch.
4. **Budget for the Senior Center**
 - Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, passed out two program number 185 Senior Citizen budget sheets for discussion and review. She discussed the two, four, and ten year budget sheet. Lynda Holt, Recreation Coordinator, explained the Maintenance and Operation #5212 budget sheet. Lynda also handed out a monthly anticipated expense sheet to compare with the annual budget.
 - Discussed staffing, keeping Senior Center open more hours per week, adding two computers in 2007-2008 fiscal year. In our ten year budget plan, we are asking to expand the senior center and for additional storage space. The members were

encouraged to attend the City Council budget workshop on February 3, 2007 in the City Hall Council chambers from 8 am to 5 pm.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fundraising

- Black Tie Bingo Ad Hoc committee will meet today and give an update in February.
- Member Gruner had surgery and is recovering.

Transportation

- The Senior Ad Hoc committee worked with RSVP to received grant funding for a new volunteer senior transportation program to meet the needs of homebound seniors and seniors in outlying areas unable to access public transportation. Friendly Rides 4 Seniors will be offered March 1, 2007. This program was advertised in the Paso Robles Magazine and in the recent activity guide.
- Lynda worked with SLOCOG on a new grant to develop new senior liaisons in the county to orient seniors in public transportation. Paso Senior Center is one of three sites chosen to participate in this program.

CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

Lynda passed out a 2007 January Calendar of Events and a 2006 Senior Center Highlights that touched on some of the 2006 senior programs/events:

- Membership total is up to 1,112.
- Golden Meals Network and volunteers served 13,000 meals in our dining room and delivered over 26,000 meals to the homebound seniors.
- 150 + Volunteers are what make up the senior center and its operation every day. Hours in 2006 volunteered were 8,767 calculated at the 2005 RSVP rate of \$19.74/hour totals \$173,060.58 in volunteer work.
- Transportation grants to develop senior liaisons in SLO County, train seniors as volunteer drivers, and Friendly Rides 4 Seniors starting March 1, 2007.
- Cuesta Emeritus Classes, Health & Fitness, Trips, tours, events and fundraising.

Charlotte briefly discussed:

- Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration is Friday and she thanked Edna for her many years of hard work to make this event a huge success.
- Sherwood Forest Ground Breaking is Friday, February 9, at 4 pm. We have carried the medieval theme for the park in the last Spring Activity Guide for February through May 2007.
- We have Youth Basketball games going on right now at Centennial Park. The annual favorite, Chocolate Fantasia, has moved from City Hall to Centennial Park this year and we are adding a live band to this event. The indoor pool is still open but will close soon for six months renovation.
- Staff has been working with the YMCA Program and local schools to request Proposition 49 grant monies but found out this week we did not get the funding for after school programming.

Ann Robb, Director, advised:

- Both divisions of our department have been very busy working on the budget.

Fred Strong, Council representative, advised:

- City Council is busy in preparation for the Goal Setting Workshop, reorganizing new liaison's for city committees, etc.
- Submitted request for additional monies for SLERDA and SLOCOG for three different public transportation projects.
- Discussed the 2007 Master Plan for City Park goal and Economic Strategy Plan.
- Councilman Nemeth and Strong, along with other city staff, will be attending the League of California Cities Conference in Sacramento starting January 12.
- Assisting in an educational bilingual requirement for local teachers.
- Our primary money comes from the 7-1/4 sales tax, 1% goes to the state and schools (Get more than the city). The city receives 17% of the county property tax. We receive RTA funds and if the city has met these needs, the balance of this fund can be used in other areas of transportation improvements. We do not get revenue from income tax. It is distributed among the various counties.
- There is a state wide Resolution in the wine country that wine maker has to print on the label where the grapes are grown. In some cases, the grapes are grown in Paso Robles and shipped to other areas to be bottled. This has to be printed on the label.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS - None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Fonarow, seconded by Mastin, to adjourn to the meeting at 2:30 pm to the following:

1. The Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration at the Senior Center on Friday, January 12, 2007 at the Senior Center, at 10:30 a.m.,
2. City Council Goal Setting Workshop February 3, 2007 at 8 a.m.,
3. Sherwood Forest Grand Opening on Scott Street, Friday, February 9, 2007 at 4 pm, and
4. The next regular meeting on Monday, February 12, 2007, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 2/12/07 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by Renee' Clark, Secretary

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Minutes of 1/8/07