

**CITY OF MILPITAS  
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Minutes:** Senior Advisory Commission  
**Date of Meeting:** March 13, 2012  
**Place of Meeting:** Barbara Lee Senior Center, Room 140

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Denny Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Denny Weisgerber, Karen Adams, Bal Daquigan,  
Barbara Ebright, Estrella Gilana, Melba Holliday,  
Amanda Santos, Bernice Wrinkle

**Alternates Present:** Deborah Langley

**Commissioner Absent:** Mary Banick

**Alternates Absent:** Moo Jin Choi

**Council Liaison Present:** Vice Mayor Pete McHugh

**Staff Present:** Aaron Bueno, Recreation Supervisor  
Lynette Wilson, Recreation Program Coordinator

**C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:** Deborah Langley for Mary Banick.

**D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** To adopt the Agenda of the March 13, 2012 Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

M/S: Holliday/Wrinkle      Ayes: Unanimous

**E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**MOTION:** To approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2011 Senior Advisory Commission meeting as written.

M/S: Adams/Holliday      Ayes: Unanimous

**F. FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Commission reviewed the Financial Report distributed at the meeting, for the period of January 1-31, 2012. The revenues totaled \$108.25, and the expenses totaled \$131.01, leaving an ending balance of \$4,866.38.

**MOTION:** To approve the Financial Report ending January 31, 2012.  
M/S: Daquigan/Adams. Ayes: Unanimous

**G. PUBLIC FORUM:**

None.

**H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:**

**a. Update from Police Department:**

Police Chief Dennis Graham reported on a shooting in the Pines neighborhood on Friday, March 9. He stated the incident was a marijuana purchase that went bad. The drug dealer shot at, but missed, one of the buyers when the buyer pulled an empty gun on the seller. During this time, Zanker Elementary School was locked down. The police eventually arrested the drug dealer at his house in San Jose with over 300 marijuana plants and six guns. The person trying to purchase the marijuana was also arrested.

Commissioner Adams indicated she was still concerned that cars still do not stop as they should at the crossing light on Milpitas Blvd between Calaveras Blvd. and Town Center Dr., and asked if sound could be added to the signal. Police Chief Graham said the light was purchased with grant funds and would have to look into it.

**b. Milpitas Parks & Recreation Programs:**

Recreation Supervisor Bueno updated the Commission about the upcoming 2012 Commissioners' Recognition Event on Tuesday, April 17 at City Hall. The event recognizes all commissioners who served in 2011 and will take place in the Rotunda area of City Hall, 6:00-7:00 pm. Commissioners are requested to RSVP by Friday, March 30 by calling Dale Flunoy at (408) 586-3228 or emailing him at [dflunoy@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:dflunoy@ci.milpitas.ca.gov).

**c. Commissioner Updates/Sharing:**

Commissioner Ebright relayed a comment from another person regarding no bus stop close to the Kaiser Permanente facility on Milpitas Blvd. Vice Mayor McHugh stated he was the City Council liaison for VTA and would pass on the concern.

**I. PRESENTATIONS:**

None.

**J. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Senior Advisory Commission Election of Officers – Recreation Supervisor Bueno**

The Senior Advisory Commission Bylaws state a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson need to be elected at the first meeting of the calendar year for the term of one year. Chairperson Weisgerber opened the floor for nominations for Chair.

Commissioner Ebright was nominated by Commissioner Daquigan and seconded by Commissioner Wrinkle.

Commissioner Weisgerber was nominated by Commissioner Holliday and seconded by Commissioner Adams.

Upon having no other nominations, the floor was closed. The Commission conducted a vote by written ballot, and the results were Commissioner Ebright with 5 votes and Commissioner Weisgerber with 4 votes.

The floor was then opened for nominations for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Holliday was nominated by Commissioner Ebright and seconded by Commissioner Gilana.

Upon having no other nominations, the floor was closed and Commissioner Holiday was appointed Vice Chair with no opposition.

New SAC officers for 2012 are Chairperson Ebright and Vice Chair Holliday.

## **2. 2012 Work Plan – Recreation Supervisor Bueno**

Recreation Supervisor Bueno distributed the draft of the Senior Advisory Commission's 2012 Work Plan. The overall goals listed included:

- the promotion and sustaining volunteering within the Commission and in Milpitas for seniors (active participation in Senior Center programs and fundraisers)
- Fundraising (fundraise with purpose – identify benefitting programs or events to prospective sponsors)
- Budget (identify desired areas of fundraising assistance for Senior programs in Milpitas)
- Senior Health & Resource Fair (promote health and wellness agencies/resources within the community)
- Best Care Home/Facility Award (create award application for best senior care home/facility and develop award program)
- Sunshine Club/"Good Neighbor Calls" (develop a call list of Milpitas seniors who would like a weekly "care call" to check in on how they are doing)

Recreation Supervisor Bueno asked if there were any comments or changes on it. It was requested the Sunshine Club's care calls not be done on a weekly basis.

**MOTION:** To send the Work Plan on to City Council for approval with the change to the "weekly check-in" in the Sunshine Club section.

M/S: Holliday / Wrinkle. Unanimous.

## **K. OLD BUSINESS:**

## **1. Karaoke System – Recreation Supervisor Bueno**

This item was carried over from the Commission's January 24, 2012, meeting. Recreation Supervisor Bueno reminded the Commission of the handout distributed at the last meeting outlining the different karaoke systems (Magic Mic and a component style system) and their options (number of microphones and chips). Prices ranged \$99.00-\$469.00).

Commissioner Ebright stated she found the same Magic Mic system on the internet on sale for \$319.00.

Recreation Supervisor Bueno asked for the Commission's recommendation on purchasing the system or not, and if so, which one.

**Motion:** To approve the purchase of new Magic Mic Karaoke system at the best price.

M/S: Holliday / Adams. Unanimous.

## **2. Subcommittee Projects – Recreation Supervisor Bueno**

Recreation Supervisor Bueno reviewed the three subcommittees formed out of the Commission's Work Plan. The Subcommittees were: Heath & Resource Fair (responsible for planning and implementing a Health and Resource Fair geared towards older adults in the Milpitas community), Sunshine Club (to establish a phone bank or card mailing to contact older adults in the Milpitas community that are ill or homebound), and Best Senior Care Home/Facility Awards Program (establish criteria to review and present recognition certificates/awards to different care homes/facilities in the Milpitas community catering to older adults). Subcommittees would be limited to a maximum of four commissioners in order to not violate the Brown Act.

The formed subcommittees consist of:

- Health & Resource Fair: Weisgerber, Holliday, Ebright, Gilana
- Sunshine Club: Adams, Langle, Wrinkle
- Best Senior Care Home/Facility: Daquigan, Santos

Staff will set up meetings with each subcommittee to get them started prior to the next SAC meeting. Staff will also contact those commissioners not on a subcommittee to find out what they want to work on.

## **L. OTHER BUSINESS:**

### **1.0 STAFF REPORTS**

#### **1.1 Recreation Services**

Recreation Supervisor Bueno highlighted the monthly Senior Center events listed in the Agenda.

## **1.2 Senior Center Nutrition**

Recreation Supervisor Bueno reported on the lunch program participation and riders during January. The program served 1,764 meals and transported 39 riders to lunch.

Roseann Costabile, Senior Center Nutrition Site Manager, added the lunch program has seen many new participants, and she will have to be diligent to stay within the program's budget (average of 96 meals per day) through the end of June.

## **2. LIAISON REPORTS**

### **2.1 City Council - Vice Mayor Peter McHugh**

Vice Mayor McHugh reported on the recent City Council meetings:

March 6:

- Reaffirmed City Council's decision to eliminate the funding for library hours (decreases current hours by 12 per week). It will still be open seven days a week, but will open late some mornings and close early some evenings.
- City Council eliminated funding for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks event.
- City Council heard the results of the recent poll regarding increasing the City's sales tax. City Council will decide in June if it will be placed on the November ballot.

March 8 – Budget Workshop:

- City has to eliminate \$9.2 million from next fiscal year's budget.
- Fire Department and Police Departments will hold open vacant positions.
- Looking to outsource some of the Public Works areas (saving \$2.1 million but lays off approximately 39 employees).
- \$1.8 million was identified through Administration changes.
- Looking at adopting a final budget on May 8 (looking at employees to help lower benefits or rely on layoffs).

Vice Mayor McHugh also informed the Commission that if they are looking for another fundraiser event, Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant assists groups with fundraisers.

### **2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission – Denny Weisgerber**

Commissioner Weisgerber informed the Commission on recent Council on Aging actions/events:

- At a tour of Sunnyvale's Senior Center, he learned that Sunnyvale has a Computer Services volunteer group that refurbishes computers, trains senior to use them, and staffs its computer lab.

- Council on Aging is trying to get the word out regarding suicide prevention with flyers on who to call and how to recognize signs of suicidal tendencies.
- Council on Aging is trying to get the financial assistance for the Senior Legislative Fund by having people who have not filed their state income taxes yet to donate a minimum of \$10 to the California Fund for Senior Citizens (#402 on the tax forms).

**3. Future Agenda Items**

- Subcommittee Reports
- Senior Center Trips

**L. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

None.

**M. ADJOURMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2012, at 1:30 pm, at the Barbara Lee Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynette Wilson, Commission Recording Secretary