A. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE
Chairperson Denny Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. ROLL CALL
Commissioners Present: William “Ed” Connor, Barbara Ebright, Florentino Menor, Albert Wang, Bal Daquigan, Bernice Wrinkle, Mary Banick and Denny Weisgerber

Alternates Present: Estrella Gilana and Karen Adams

Council Liaison: Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

Staff Present: Jennifer Tagalog, Recreation Services Supervisor Cinda Dye, Recreation Public Services Assistant II

C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES: None

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda of the February 24, 2009 Senior Advisory Commission.
M/S: Connor/Wang  Ayes: Unanimous

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the January 13, 2009 Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

F. FINANCIAL REPORT


Motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted.

M/S Daquigan/Banick  Ayes: Unanimous.

G. CITIZENS FORUM:
• Margie Stephens from the Library Commission spoke to Commission about the new Library and invited their feedback on things they liked and disliked about the new facility. Commissioner Stephens also handed out a brochure on the library donor program.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:

Police Chief Graham reported that the DARE Graduation was held at Sinnott School that day. He also reported that the crime rate in Milpitas was down 6.4%, 4th year in a row that the crime rate has gone down. He also warned the Commission about car break-ins and not leaving items visible to thieves (i.e. lab tops, purses, etc.)

Supervisor Tagalog reported on the upcoming Parks and Recreation events for the month of March.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Address System Repairs

Supervisor Tagalog requested that the Senior Advisory Commission pay for repairs to the PA System in which the Senior Advisory Commission previously purchased in 2006. The system is no longer under warranty and the cost to repair the system was $335.40.

MOTION to approve $335.40 from the Senior Advisory Commission budget to repair the PA System at the Senior Center.
M/S Banick/Wrinkle Ayes: Unanimous

2. Volunteers for Upcoming Fundraising Events

Staff requested two volunteers to sign-up for the upcoming evening Bingo Sessions on April 7th and May 12th. The Commissioners who volunteered are as follows:

April 7th – Gilana/Daquigan
May 5th – Gilana/Ebright

J. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on New Senior Center

Supervisor Tagalog provided an update on the new Senior Center. She indicated that staff was meeting with Neighborhood Services and Education Sub-committee that evening to review the project bids and forward recommendation for Council consideration at the March 3rd meeting. Construction is scheduled to begin March/April 2009, with an estimated completion date of July, 2010. There will be a ground breaking Ceremony, which is tentatively scheduled for March 30th at 9:00 am. And invitations will be mailed to all Commissioners.
Renee Lorentzen, Cultural Arts Coordinator, provided an update on the Art for the new Senior Center. The art pieces (one bronze sculpture on a bench in addition to three artist benches) are proposed to be located in the front of the new facility. The proposed budget for this project is $75,000-$100,000. Renee also indicated that the art pieces would be a one of kind.

K. OTHER BUSINESS:

1.0 STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services
   • Recreation Supervisor reviewed the upcoming events listed on the agenda.
   • Mary Banick reported that they had signed a contract with Subway for a fundraiser on April 16th at their Milpitas Blvd. and Calaveras Blvd. locations and they have agreed to let us fundraiser for the entire day.

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition
   • Recreation Supervisor Tagalog reported that the average daily Nutrition Lunch participation were 106 in January
   Transportation – 436 Nutrition program riders in January

2. LIAISON REPORTS

Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

2.1 City Council
   • Council approved a 639 housing units located near Pier and Montague.
   • Vice Mayor McHugh gave the Commission an update on the Valley Transportation Representation and the effect that it will have on Milpitas in respect to the introduction of BART to the South Bay.
   • Chairperson Weisgerber requested that Vice Mayor McHugh forward on concerns about the lack of lighting and bright markings on the stairs at the new Library.

2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission
   • Chairperson Weisgerber had no report from the Council of Aging, however, urged those one who had not done their taxes to mark the box on their return to make a donation to the Council of Aging.

2.3 Arts Commission
   None
2.4 Recreations and Cultural Resources Commission
   None

3. Future Agenda Items
   None

L. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm. The next meeting is scheduled April 28, 2009, at 1:30 pm, at the Milpitas City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Cinda Dye, Commission Secretary