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, Bal Daquigan, Bernice Wrinkle, Mary Banick and Denny Weisgerber

Alternates Present: Estrella Gilana and Karen Adams

Commissioner Absent: Albert Wang

Council Liaison: Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

Staff Present: Bonnie Greiner, Parks and Recreation Director
Jennifer Tagalog, Recreation Services Supervisor
Cinda Dye, Recreation Public Services Assistant II
Steve Erickson, Associate Civil Engineer

C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Estrella Gilana

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda of the April 28, 2009 Senior Advisory Commission.
M/S: Connor/Wrinkle Ayes: Unanimous

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the February 24, 2009 Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

M/S: Ebright/Gilana Ayes: Unanimous.

F. FINANCIAL REPORT


Motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted.
M/S: Connor/Daquigan  Ayes: Unanimous.

G. CITIZENS FORUM:

Rob Means informed the Commission about a Conference that he attended on Alternative Transportation. He also spoke about the proposed Milpitas PRT “Ferry” at Yosemite/Curtis.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:

Chair Weisgerber presented Florentino Menor with a Commissioner’s Recognition Certificate.

Police Chief Graham reported to the Commission that scams are still an issue in the City and advised Commissioners not to respond to any emails or letters where they are requesting information or money in return for something.

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

I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Volunteers for Upcoming Fundraising Events

Staff requested two volunteers to sign-up for the upcoming evening Bingo Sessions on June 2nd and June 6th (Bingo Marathon). The Commissioners who volunteered are as follows:

June 2nd – Santos/Daquigan
June 6th – Gilana/Ebright/Weisgerber/Adams

2. Renaming of the Senior Center

Vice Mayor McHugh reported back to the Commission that he had done some research and that after some discussion his assumption is that the Council feel people are use to the name Barbara Lee Senior Center and it was the intention to move the name to the new facility. Vice Mayor McHugh told the Commission if they wanted to discuss and take a vote on changing the name he would take back the Commission’s recommendation to the Council for consideration.

Motion to recommend changing the name back to the Milpitas Senior Center when the new Senior Center moves to the new facility.

M/S: Connor/Wrinkle
Ayes: 9
Nays: (1) Weisgerber
J. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on New Senior Center

Steve Erickson, Project Manager, reported to the Commission that the demolition of the inside of the facility would start in the next two weeks and should be completed in May. Staff is meeting with contractors and architects on a regular basis and the project remains on budget and on schedule.

2. Shall We Dance Review

Recreation Supervisor Tagalog asked the Commission if they wanted the Shall We Dance Program to continue. There have been requests from the attendees to have the program offered every Friday, however the enrollment has declined over the months. Originally the program was only offered on the first Friday of the month.

Commissioner Ebright was concerned that if the program was offered every Friday, that there would no longer be cooking activities at the facility. Staff informed Commission that city-sponsored programs have priority over drop-in activities and that should an activity be planned, the group would be informed and would not be able to offer the activity on that day. In addition, notifications would be posted well in advance about the cancellation to inform participants.

The majority of the Commissioners wished to offer the Shall We Dance at the Senior Center on Friday’s, however wished to evaluate at the Next Senior Advisory Commission meeting in June. Commissioner Ebright was opposed.

K. OTHER BUSINESS:

1.0 STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services

- Recreation Supervisor reviewed the upcoming events listed on the agenda.

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition

- Recreation Supervisor Tagalog reported that the average daily Nutrition Lunch participation was 87 in February, 1,650 meals were served and Transportation – 363 Nutrition program riders. In March the average Nutrition Lunch participation was 86, 1,892 meals were served and Transportation – 441 nutrition program riders.

2. LIAISON REPORTS
Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

2.1 City Council
- The State of the Community Address was well received.
- Vice Mayor McHugh reported that the reaction to the Commissioner’s Brunch was excellent. The Commissioners also liked the idea of donating the money which would have been used for gifts to the Milpitas Food Pantry.
- Vice Mayor McHugh stated that the Council had passed a zoning change which would restrict any future Churches from being located in an industrial areas.

2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission
- Chairperson Weisgerber reported that the next session will be coming up this summer.

2.3 Arts Commission
- The Arts Commission and the Great Mall are going to partner and Display local artists work at a vacant store area. There will be no cost to the Commission and 10% of the moneys generated from the sales of the work will go back to the Commission for Children’s Art Programs.
- The Cartwheel Kids will be moved to the Library and once selected new artwork will be displayed in the front of City Hall.

2.4 Recreations and Cultural Resources Commission
- Sports Grant in the amount of $500.00 was awarded to a Champion diver.

3. Future Agenda Items
- Fundraisers (Possible Sock Hop)
- Shall We Dance Review

L. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 2:37 pm. The next meeting is scheduled June 23, 2009, at 1:30 pm, at the Milpitas City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Cinda Dye, Commission Secretary