

**CITY OF MILPITAS
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Approved Minutes: Senior Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: February 23, 2010
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

A. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE

Chairperson Denny Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited (meeting started late due to a walking tour of the new Senior Center).

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Denny Weisgerber, Barbara Ebright, Karen Adams, Mary Banick, Bal Daquigan, Florentino Menor, Amanda Santos, Bernice Wrinkle, Vacant

Alternates Present: Estrella Gilana, Vacant

Commissioner Absent: None

Alternates Absent: None

Council Liaison: Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

Staff Present: Renee Lorentzen, Acting Recreation Supervisor
Lynette Wilson, Recreation Program Coordinator

C. SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Estrella Gilana in Vacant seat

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda of the February 23, 2010 Senior Advisory Commission, with the Chair Weisgerber's addition of a MUSD School Board item under Announcements.

M/S: Wrinkle/Ebright. Ayes: Unanimous

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the January 26, 2010 Senior Advisory Commission meeting, with the correction to the spelling of Commissioner Wrinkle's name in Items D & E.

M/S: Wrinkle/Daquigan. Ayes: Unanimous.

F. FINANCIAL REPORT

Acting Recreation Supervisor Lorentzen reviewed the updated Financial Report, distributed at the meeting, for January 1-31, 2010. Total Revenues received were \$81.50; expenses were \$50.62, leaving a balance of \$8,097.38.

G. PUBLIC FORUM: Steve Munzel, the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission Chairperson, commented first that the new Senior Center facility should be acknowledged as an historical building since it was the first free standing library in Milpitas. He also

indicated he was the Chairperson of the Milpitas Community Television, which is a non-profit corporation that airs in Milpitas on Comcast channel 26, AT&T's U-Verse and streaming online. He stated there is a need for senior oriented programming shows and invited the Senior Advisory Commission to do training to produce these types of shows for broadcasting. Some subjects he suggested were Senior Center classes, events, and trips.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Commissioner Resignation:

Chairperson Weisgerber announced that Commissioner Albert Wang resigned so there is currently an opening for a voting member and an alternate member. People interested in serving on the Commission should contact Acting Recreation Services Supervisor Lorentzen for information and/or an application. Mayor Livengood will appoint the new commissioners with the approval of City Council.

2. Police Department Updates:

Police Chief Dennis Graham informed the Commission about the City's new Social Host Ordinance which goes into effect in March 16, 2010. The ordinance's intention is to cut down on teenage drinking by holding homeowners responsible when under-age drinking takes place at parties/gatherings held on their property. The "host" can be fined and/or charged with jail time.

3. Parks & Recreation Programs:

Acting Recreation Supervisor Lorentzen announced the following upcoming events:

- Commissioners Recognition Event is on Saturday, April 10th, 9:00-11:00 am, at Dave & Busters.
- Public Art unveiling at Pinewood Park on March 20, 2010 at 9:30am.
- Memorial Day Ceremony at City Hall's Veterans Memorial area on Monday, May 31, 2010 at 9am.

4. Milpitas Unified School District's School Board:

Chairperson Weisgerber announced the MUSD School Board requested him to hold an educational meeting at the Senior Center regarding its Parcel Tax item that will be on the June 8, 2010 ballot. The Board wants seniors to be informed of the proposal and how it affects them (i.e. approximately \$84 a year or \$7 per month and sunsets after 5 years).

I. PRESENTATIONS:

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Work Plan 2010 and Budget Review (Chairperson Weisgerber)

Chairperson Weisgerber announced the Work Plan was approved by the City Council at its February 16, 2010, meeting. Acting Recreation Supervisor Lorentzen reviewed the Work Plan areas (Volunteerism, Fundraising, Budget, new facility Grand Opening) and Interest/Program items submitted by the Commissioners on their worksheets.

Areas for Commissioners to volunteer included:

- Fellowship/Welcoming Committee
- Phone Calls
- Mailers
- Bingo.

Fund-raising areas that would benefit the Senior Center/members:

- Senior Holiday Party
- Bingo
- Additional game tables
- Coupons for restaurants
- Nutrition program

Additional programs/events identified by commissioners not currently offered included:

- More Disaster Preparedness Trainings
- Cooking Classes
- Podiatrist Visits
- Diabetic Testing
- Nail Clipping services
- Back Massage services
- Self Defense Classes
- Tai Chi
- More Dances
- Trips to San Francisco via BART, fishing, picnics
- Nutrition Program
- Movies
- Educational Shorts.

Companies/Services Groups identified as a “good match” to approach to assist with Senior Center fundraising:

- Rotary
- Lion’s Club
- Lifescan.

A Fundraiser Subcommittee can be formed to work with the companies/groups identified. Commissioner Banick requested staff assistance in making contact with the identified companies/groups.

Motion to provide funding for purchasing new facility equipment.

M/S: Adams/Ebright. Ayes: Unanimous.

Items for the Commission to purchase/sponsor:

- Pool table (new or refurbish current one)

- Exercise Equipment
- Bingo Screen
- Additional Sun shading on Bus windows

Staff Suggested Annual Funding of Senior Center programs:

- Raffle Prizes for Holiday Party (\$200)
- Raffle Prizes for Birthday Lunches (\$200)
- Monthly Birthday Cakes (12 x \$52 each = \$636)
- Decks of Cards, Ping Pong & Pool Room supplies
- Card Table tablecloths
- Movie License

Motion to provide funding for annual items suggested by staff,
M/S: Wrinkle/Daquigan. Ayes: Unanimous.

J. OTHER BUSINESS:

1.0 STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services

- Acting Recreation Supervisor Lorentzen reviewed the upcoming events at the Milpitas Senior Center.

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition

- Acting Recreation Supervisor Lorentzen reported that in January, the Nutrition Lunch program served 1,229 meals and Transportation services provided 392 rides.

2. LIAISON REPORTS

2.1 City Council - Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

Vice Mayor McHugh reported on the following City Council meeting items:

- February 2nd meeting: On a 4-1 vote, Council recommended to support the MUSD School Board's Parcel Tax item.
- February 16th meeting:
 - The city is moving forward with expanding the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) funding from \$4.9 million to \$6.2 million. It will also exclude the use of immanent domain for homeowners in the area.
 - Evaluating the feasibility of solar panels at 16 sites in Milpitas.
 - Shapell is selling condominiums located behind the Town Center Shopping Center and at Paragon on Main Street.

2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission – Denny Weisgerber

- Chairperson Weisgerber stated he arranged for the Council on Aging to tour the Alzheimer's Association's administration facility in Mountain View. The Alzheimer's agency is a great resource for family members of dementia patients. One of the resources it provides is grants for family members to get away for a while to relieve stress and have the patient cared for by a caregiver. The facility does not have any on-site care services.

2.3 Arts Commission - Linda Rabe

- Acting Recreation Services Supervisor announced that Linda Rabe resigned from the Arts Commission, after serving many years with the Arts and Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Resources Commissions. The Arts Commission is currently presiding over three Phantom Art Gallery sites. The Commission is also working with Shapell on a chalk art event on Main Street.

2.4 Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Commission - Frances Krommenhock

- Steve Munzel stated the PRCRC was in the process of recommending to City Council the Windsor Water tank should be an historical landmark.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Senior Center Grand Opening
- Brown Act Presentation/Review for the Commission
- Emergency Preparation Presentation

L. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:49 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2010, at 1:30 pm, at the Milpitas City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Wilson, Commission Secretary