

**CITY OF MILPITAS
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Senior Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: October 23, 2012
Place of Meeting: Barbara Lee Senior Center, Room 140

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Barbara Ebright called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Karen Adams, Mary Banick, Bal Daquigan, Barbara Ebright, Estrella Gilana, Melba Holliday, Amanda Santos, Denny Weisgerber,

Alternates Present: Deborah Langley, Moo Jin Choi

Commissioner Absent: Bernice Wrinkle

Alternates Absent: None.

Council Liaison Present: Vice Mayor Pete McHugh

Staff Present: Lynette Wilson, Acting Recreation Supervisor

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Deborah Langley for Bernice Wrinkle

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda of the October 23, 2012 Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

M/S: Adams/Weisgerber Ayes: Unanimous

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the August 28, 2012 Senior Advisory Commission meeting.

M/S: Weisgerber/Holliday Ayes: Unanimous

F. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Commission reviewed the Financial Report distributed at the meeting, for the period of August 1-September 30, 2012. The starting balance was \$4,675.94, the revenues totaled \$365.75 and the expenses totaled \$278.28, leaving an ending balance of \$4,763.41.

MOTION: To approve the Financial Report ending July 31, 2012.
M/S: Daquigan/Weisgerber. Ayes: Unanimous

G. PUBLIC FORUM:

Evelyn Ramirez introduced herself as a Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commissioner. One of her roles on the commission was to serve as the liaison for the Senior Advisory Commission and to report back to the PRCRC on SAC items.

City Manager Tom Williams announced two new staff members to the Commission. Steve Pangelian is the new Police Chief and Steven McHarris is the new Planning and Neighborhood Services Director.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Update from Police Department:

Police Chief Pangelian informed the Commission that his contact information would soon be added the Police Department's webpage on the City's website. He also said there was an 84 year old woman who had wandered away from her home the previous evening and she was found and safely back at home. He added the Police Department was available to provide neighborhood safety presentations.

b. Milpitas Parks & Recreation Programs:

Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson highlighted the upcoming special events the Recreation Services was preparing. The Veterans Day Ceremony would be held on Sunday, November 11 at 9:00 am in the Veterans Plaza. The 25th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony would be held on Saturday, December 1 at 7:00 pm in the City Hall Plaza. She also reminded Commissioners to turn in their Volunteer Sign-Up sheets for working the Bingo snackbars.

c. Commissioner Updates/Sharing:

None

I. PRESENTATIONS:

None

J. NEW BUSINESS:

1. December Meeting Date – Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson

Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson stated the Senior Advisory Commission meetings are scheduled for the 4th Tuesday of every other month starting in February. The Commission has historically cancelled its December meeting due to the holidays and rescheduled it for January. Since this year's December meeting would fall on Christmas Day (a City holiday), staff is recommending to reschedule it to January 22, 2013.

MOTION: To tentatively set the meeting for January 22, 2013 and to cancel it if there was nothing that was time-sensitive on the agenda.

M/S: Weisgerber/Adams. Ayes: Unanimous

2. Fundraiser at Sweet Tomatoes – Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson

This item was placed on the agenda so the Commission could discuss the possibility of holding a fundraiser through Sweet Tomatoes (the @ First shopping center off of Hwy 237), as suggested by Vice Mayor McHugh at the previous SAC meeting. The Commission discussed it and was in favor of learning more information regarding it. Commissioner Langley volunteered to take the lead on talking with the Sweet Tomatoes manager and possibly even booking a date for the event.

3. Sock Hop Event – Commissioners Langley and Wrinkle

Commissioners Langley and Wrinkle had talked and thought it would be fun to have a Sock Hop event (possibly in February) at the Senior Center and requested the item on the agenda for discussion. Commissioners talked about holding it and if it would be open to just senior center participants or the entire community, day of the week and time of day. They talked about elements that were included in a Sock Hop event that the old Milpitas-Berryessa AARP organization put on many years ago. The Commission was in favor of putting on the event and agreed to form a group to organize it. Commissioner Langley stated she would like to take the lead and Commissioners Holliday and Adams volunteered to help, and would ask Commissioner Wrinkle if she would like to be involved. Commissioner Banick stated she would be available to give history of the AARP event since she helped with it.

K. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Subcommittee Updates – Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson

Health & Resource Fair: The group will meet early next month to discuss the planning of the events for the first few months of next year.

Sunshine Club: A flyer that explained and promoted the Sunshine Club had been distributed to the subcommittee for review.

Best Senior Care Home/Facility: The introduction letter and questionnaire were in the final stages and would soon be sent out to Milpitas located senior housing facilities.

L. OTHER BUSINESS:

1.0 STAFF REPORTS

1.1 Recreation Services

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

1.2 Senior Center Nutrition

Acting Recreation Supervisor Wilson reported on the lunch program participation and riders during August and September. The program served 2,015 meals in August and 1,700 in September. The program provided transportation through Outreach in August for 208 lunch riders and 205 in September.

2. LIAISON REPORTS

2.1 City Council - Vice Mayor Peter McHugh

Vice Mayor McHugh informed the Commissioners that this was his last meeting with them as a City Council representative since his term was expiring and he was not running in the election.

Vice Mayor McHugh added that at the last City Council meeting, a new ordinance was introduced with its first reading that would prevent the outsourcing of the Police and Fire Departments without a vote from the residents. He also mentioned that visitors from Dagupan, Philippines, (Milpitas' Sister City) were present so a Key presentation and entertainment also took place at the meeting. He ended his report by reminding everyone to vote in the upcoming election for all levels (local and national).

The Commissioners thanked Vice Mayor McHugh for his dedication and work all these years.

2.2 Council on Aging Advisory Commission – Commissioner Holliday

Commission Vice Chair Holliday informed the Commission that at the meeting she attended the Council on Aging (COA) was currently working on a Aging Services collaboration. Also at the meeting a presentation was done on a website for getting more details on propositions in the upcoming election (www.smartvoter.org/ca/scl/).

3. Future Agenda Items

- Subcommittee Reports
- Senior Center Trips
- Senior Advisory Commission Election of Officers (February)

L. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Ebright asked about the Holiday Dinner event and about the extra \$1,500 that was possibly needed. Staff responded the event's normal budget was reduced during

the Recreation Services' budget process and staff was restructuring the Senior Center's Holiday Dance event to work within the allocated budget and would not need the additional \$1,500 that had been mentioned to the Commission earlier in the year.

Commissioner Adams asked about the November 15 Premier World Discovery listed in the upcoming Senior Center events. Staff responded a representative from that tour group will present information on three upcoming long-distance trips the Senior Center is offering.

Commissioner Adams also asked about watching the World Series in the Community Room at the Senior Center. Staff responded that if the games are played during the Senior Center's open hours, they could be shown. Unfortunately the games are usually scheduled in the evenings or weekends and staff would not be on site during those times and the Community Room is also used during off hours for contracted classes offered through the Community Center or private rentals.

M. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2013, at 1:30 pm, at the Barbara Lee Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Wilson, Commission Recording Secretary