

**CITY OF MILPITAS
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Senior Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: February 25, 2014
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, Melba Holliday,
Deborah Langley, Denny Weisgerber (1:32 pm), Patrick Yung

Alternates Present: Jenny Berryhill

Commissioner Absent: Estrella Gilana,

Alternates Absent: Jae Wi,

Council Liaison Present: Mayor Jose Esteves

Staff Present: Stephanie Douglas, Recreation Supervisor
Lynette Wilson, Recreation Coordinator

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Jenny Berryhill seated for Estrella Gilana

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Chairperson Ebright led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: To adopt the Agenda of the February 25, 2014 Senior Advisory.
M/S: Holliday/Daquigan. Ayes: Unanimous

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of the January 28, 2014 Senior Advisory Commission.
M/S: Holliday/Ebright. Ayes: Unanimous

F. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Commission reviewed the Financial Reports distributed at the meeting, for the period of January 1-31, 2014. The starting balance in October was \$4,869.02, the revenues totaled \$76.00 and the expenses totaled \$88.72, leaving an ending balance of \$4,856.30.

MOTION: To approve the Financial Reports ending January 31, 2014.

M/S: Adams/Holliday. Ayes: Unanimous

G. PUBLIC FORUM:

Robert Marini, 1635 Cortez St, Milpitas, stated he turned in a petition six months ago requesting 2 additional computers for seniors to use. He said the current computers are old and always in use. He said he's voiced concerns on why things don't get done and money is being spent on parties and statues.

Mayor Esteves replied the 60th Anniversary events were paid with donations.

Don Richter, 154 N. Park Victoria Dr., Milpitas, stated he wanted to know why the Minute Man statue was put up and its relationship to Milpitas.

Mayor Esteves responded the statue selection went through the Arts/Public Arts Commission selection process. Also, Milpitas adopted the Minute Man as its symbol when San Jose tried to annex it prior to becoming incorporated.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Update from Police Department:

Lieutenant Daryl Sequeira reported Police Department will be involved in this year's annual drug giveback event (held around April). He also stated the Police Department's Color Guard will be a part of the City's Memorial Day event.

Commissioner Holliday stated she contacted the Police regarding some phone calls she received from some possible con artists, and wanted to know if that was the right thing to do. Lieutenant Sequeira confirmed the Police Department should be called on these matters so they can be aware and track these types of issues.

b. Milpitas Recreation Services Programs:

Recreation Supervisor Stephanie Douglas announced the following Recreation Services events taking place in the next few months:

- Commissioner Appreciation event would be April 26, 11:30 am at the Community Center and invitations would be sent soon
- Memorial Day Ceremony will be on Monday, May 26 at the Civic Center's Veterans Plaza at 9:00 am
- July 4th Celebration will be this year and more information will be available closer to the event.

c. Commissioner Updates/Sharing:

Commissioner Ebright stated that Commissioners Adams and Gilana and she worked an activity table at the City's recent 60th Anniversary Family Day event. The event was well attended and had many resource tables, including the mobile app for "My Milpitas" (available from the City's website and app store).

I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. City of Milpitas Strategic Plan Presentation – Dr. Shawn Spano

Dr. Shawn Spano introduced himself as being with the Public Dialogue Consortium, and has been contracted by the City of Milpitas to develop and conduct a thorough Strategic Planning process. The process involves two paths, Employee (city and organization) and Community Engagement Track (includes: commissions, community groups, school district, chamber of commerce, and possibly faith based). Each path will include four phases (Planning; Vision, Mission, Values; Strategic Goals; and Employee Workplans.

As a part of the Community Engagement Track, Dr. Spano was seeking input from each Commission asking the same four questions:

- What are some things you like most about the City of Milpitas?
- Looking to future, what kind of city and community do you want Milpitas to be?
- How is the Milpitas of the future different from the way Milpitas is today?
- What needs to happen to create the kind of city/community you want Milpitas to become?

The Senior Advisory Commissioners participated in Dr. Spano's discussion by providing their input to his questions.

2. Election of Officers – Stephanie Douglas

Per the Senior Advisory Commission's Bylaws, a chairperson and vice-chairperson is to be annually selected at the first meeting of the calendar year and to serve a term of one year.

Chairperson Ebright opened the floor for Chair nominations. Commissioners Holliday and Ebright were the only commissioners nominated but Holliday declined. The nomination floor was closed.

Chairperson Ebright opened the floor for Vice-Chair nominations. Commissioner Holliday was the only commissioner nominated. The nomination floor was closed.

Commissioner Ebright remains Chair and Commissioner Holliday remains Vice-Chair with unanimous votes.

3. 2014 SAC Work Plan – Stephanie Douglas

Supervisor Douglas stated that since the Work Plan meeting scheduled on December 10, 2013, was cancelled, she proposed the Work Plan session be held during the Commission's regular meeting on April 22, 2014.

Motion: To hold the SAC Work Plan session at the April 22, 2014 SAC meeting.
M/S: Weisgerber/Langley. Ayes: Unanimous

J. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Subcommittee Updates – Stephanie Douglas

Senior Community Resources (Daquigan, Yung, Wi)

This subcommittee met last week and is in the process of compiling a list of Milpitas located businesses that offer discounts or specials for seniors. The subcommittee would like to get assistance from the Chamber of Commerce in contacting businesses as to offerings for seniors.

Commissioner Yung mentioned that having business cards or name badges would be useful when introducing themselves to the public or businesses. A discussion followed regarding members getting either cards or business cards made and the cost involved.

Motion: to purchase name badges for those who need them, not to exceed \$160 total.
M/S: Weisgerber/Holliday. Unanimous.

Sunshine Club (Adams, Landley, Wrinkle)

The subcommittee were scheduled to meet in December but cancelled. Commissioner Langley stated that while she was doing blood pressure readings at the Senior Center the other month, she did a small informal survey with the participants regarding the Sunshine Club concept. She indicated the majority of the people she talked to were not in favor of receiving phone calls or greeting cards if they were home sick, or on their birthdays.

A comment was made about having a suggestion box at the Front Counter would be beneficial.

Health & Wellness (Ebright, Holliday, Weisgerber, Giliana)

No report.

K. STAFF, CITY COUNCIL & LIAISON REPORTS:

1. Senior Center Activities Reports – Staff Stephanie Douglas

- Trips, Presentations & Events – Council did not approve the proposed plastic bag ban
- Upcoming Activities: Yoga Orientation on 3/14, Tax Appointments on Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Trips on March 19 to San Francisco Flower & Garden Show and March 31 to Thunder Valley Casino, Tech Talk presentation on 4/1, and Bingo Marathon on 5/3.

2. Senior Nutrition Program – Staff Stephanie Douglas
 - January 2014: Meals Served 1,763 (84 daily average)
 - Outreach lunch Riders: 102 one-way trips
3. City Council Report – Mayor Jose Esteves
Mayor Esteves reported the following information:
 - The new Pacific Mall will possibly include a hotel and will replace the current McCarthy Ranch shopping center area.
 - BART is coming soon to Milpitas
 - The various Commissions have a waiting list of applicants
 - Thanked the City's 60th Anniversary organizing committee members and sponsors for the events that were held
4. SourceWise – Vice Chair Melba Holliday
Vice Chair Holliday reported the meetings with SourceWise had been scarce. Also, the Advisory Commission did mention that when the Council on Aging changed to SourceWise, it didn't take into consideration the Advisory Commission.

Vice-Chair Holliday also asked if SAC was doing as much as it needs to do? Does it need to do more or less?

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Work Plan
Hometown Buffet Fundraiser

M. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 22, 2014, at 1:30 pm, at the Barbara Lee Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynette Wilson, Commission Recording Secretary