

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION  
February 25, 2013



COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Dwight Collins, ArLyne Diamond, Bobbie Estrada, Frank Kadlecsek, Donna Marencia

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Alice Pivacek

STAFF PRESENT: Renee Furtado, Recreation Supervisor, Therapeutics  
Phil Orr, Recreation Supervisor, Senior Center

GUESTS: Jolene Bradford, Wanda Buck, Tom Freitas, Rosemary Lazetera, Manuel Mateus, Jim Narveson, Rowena Renic

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MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION – None

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- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chair Collins.
- II. ROLL CALL – Commissioner Pivacek, excused.
- III. MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2012 MEETING - Minutes were approved as corrected.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE MEETING AGENDA – Approved.
- V. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS – It was announced that the Commission needed someone to report on transportation. Commissioner Diamond will assume that report.
- VI. COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS:
  - A. Chair’s Report: Commissioner Collins requested that Commissioners think about what we would like the Commission to focus on and bring ideas to the next meeting.
  - B. Council on Aging (COA): Commissioner Collins reported that at the last meeting elder abuse was discussed and that Don Moody from Santa Clara County Office of the Public Guardian was there. Don Moody stressed the importance of having a will, trust, and power of attorney in place.

Commissioner Collins reported that Tom Peterson, The Community Volunteer Network of Silicon Valley, Senior On-call Services’ Program Manager resigned due to health issues. Debra Owdom is conducting a search for a new Program Manager. She can be reached at: [owdomd@sutterhouse.org](mailto:owdomd@sutterhouse.org).

- C. Advisory Council/California Senior Legislature (CSL): Commissioner Collins reported that Senior Senator Bob Jaffee has retired. Dwight Collins was elected the new Senior Senator. The bill to create statewide senior elder courts was not picked up. There will be a CSL training session in March. Commissioner Collins reminded us not to forget Line 402 which is a donation for CSL.
  - D. Volunteer/Communication: Commissioner Kadlecek thanked staff for having all the computers and printer checked prior to the start of tax season; all are working well. Tax prep started on time with an average of 50 returns per day. There are 12 preparers this year, but not all are there at the same time. April is National Volunteer Month and April 21<sup>st</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> is National Volunteer Week. Seniorjournal.com is a good source of information and has links to other sites.
  - E. Organizations Serving Santa Clara Seniors: No report.
  - F. Nutrition/Dining: Commissioner Kadlecek reported that 1919 meals were served.
  - G. Seniors and the Arts in Santa Clara/Transportation: Commissioner Diamond reported that she attended the Arts Foundation's first workshop. Still in the planning stage: VTA wants a dedicated lane down the center of El Camino for buses, which would be difficult for seniors and disabled.
  - H. Healthy Seniors: Commissioner Estrada reported that there is a board outside of the Nurses' office with Age Page articles. The SPA (Senior Peer Advocate) program has two volunteers and will work with the Care Managers. SPA will help with issues around housing, transportation or food.
- VII. STAFF REPORTS:
- A. Recreation Supervisor Phil Orr reported that Show Time is this weekend, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>. E-books class on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1:00- 2:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. Santa Clara University and the Senior Center's two joint projects, Psychology of Aging and Photography are going well and coming to an end. Presentations to follow. The pad for the emergency generator has been completed. Waiting for the generator to be built and delivered end of March beginning of April. Recommendations have been made to City Council for replacement of cardio equipment in the fitness center.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS: None.
- IX. NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Kadlecek requested Staff to look into the need for motorcycle parking. Staff has requested that the Street Department look into areas that could be used and to install clearer signage to indicate No Parking in the space between the islands at the entrance to the parking lot.
- X. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: None.

XI. CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL AB1234: No report.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at the Santa Clara Senior Center, Room 232.

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