



CITY OF NEWARK

SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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7401 Enterprise Drive, Newark, CA
9:15 a.m.

Minutes

Thursday, October 6, 2016

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Al Nagy called the meeting to order at 9:21 a.m. Present were Senior Advisory Committee Members Rick Arellano, Sandy Arellano, Elwood Ballard, Faye Hall, and Glen Wickizer.

Advisory Committee Members Kathleen Lemos, Dolores Powell, Tamara Tucker, and Gloria Wilson were noted absent.

Staff present: Kelly Hess, Karen Moraida, Edda Rivera and David Zehnder.

B. MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the September 1, 2016 Senior Advisory Committee meeting were moved for approval by Committee Member Ballard, and seconded by Committee Member Wickizer with all in favor.

C. WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

Chairperson Nagy welcomed Mr. Jack Dane and guest speaker Barbara Telford-Ishida.

D. GUEST SPEAKER: Barbara Telford-Ishida, Adult Services Librarian at Newark Library

Ms. Telford-Ishida provided an overview of the Adult Services Programs currently offered at the Newark Library.

E. HUMAN SERVICES/SENIOR CENTER STAFF REPORT

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder distributed the Human Services/Senior Center Report for August, 2016.

Overall daily and program attendance for the month was 2,523 with no new Senior Case Management cases opened. An average of ten (10) daily meals were served at the Senior Center and Meals on Wheel delivered a daily average of 58 meals. Volunteers clocked 403 hours of service for the month.

Director Zehnder reported July and August Paratransit ridership information. Newark residents receive low-cost, door-to-door, shared ride transportation services through a partnership between the City of Newark and the City of Fremont's Human Services Department. Compared to this time last year, overall ridership increased during the months of July and August. Director Zehnder stated that his report would now include the Tri-City Taxi Voucher program as it is associated with the paratransit program.

F. OLD BUSINESS

F.1 17th Annual Health Faire – Event Review

Senior Recreation Coordinator Kelly Hess reported on the success of the Senior Health Faire, held at the Silliman Activity Center on October 4. There were 57 vendors, and approximately 300 people in attendance.

G. NEW BUSINESS

G.1 TCEC Committee Report – Committee Member Faye Hall

Committee and Tri-City Elder Coalition representative Faye Hall attended the September 20 Tri-City Elders Coalition meeting and reported on the following items:

- Age Friendly Cities – Director Wendy Peterson from the Senior Services Coalition spoke about the progress of Age-Friendly Cities initiative.
- Senior Night-Out – A very successful event to raise funds for the PUN Fund was held at the Newark Double Tree by Hilton. The theme was “A Night in Rio” with guests enjoying a great dinner and entertainment.
- Paratransit Program – Ms. Shawn Fong provided a brief presentation regarding the Taxi Voucher and Paratransit programs in Newark and Fremont.
- CAPS (Community Ambassador Program) – continues to be successful with more trainings to be held soon.
- Senior Resources Fair sponsored by Taiwanese Community Help Association was held on September 29 at the Fremont Library.
- Next TCEC Board of Directors meeting will be held in February 2017

G.2 Fremont, Union City and Newark Joint Senior Commission/Committee Reports – Woody Ballard

Committee Member Ballard provided an update on the Alzheimer awareness initiatives underway within the Tri-Cities Area. Additionally, he stated that the attendance at the Masonic Home was very good for the September 9, special screening of the movie “Glen Campbell: I’ll Be Me”; which is a story of Glen Campbell’s farewell tour after being diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease.

Committee Member Ballard presented a letter co-authored by Union City Senior Citizen Commissioners Mila Josue, Evita Kamakea, and Joseph Pritchard and Fremont Senior Citizen Commissioners Jo Anne Rhodes-Jones and Pat Helton and Newark Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Member Elwood Ballard regarding the importance of creating dementia friendly communities.

Mr. Ballard requested committee consideration to forward the letter to the Newark City Council requesting support for dementia programs and services within the City of Newark.

Chairperson Nagy directed staff to include the above mentioned letter with the November Senior Advisory Committee agenda.

G.3 Upcoming Programs/Trips/Special Events

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida reported that the Winter/Spring Activity Guide will be distributed to Newark Residents the last week of November. Registration begins the first week of December. Additionally, she announced that the

Senior Center will remain open on Columbus Day. No lunch will be served only snacks.

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida highlighted the following entertainment events at the Newark Senior Center:

- Oktoberfest with Accordion Player Karl Lebherz & Lunch, October 12, 12:00pm
- Swinging Blue Stars & Lunch, November 9, 12:00pm
- Banjo-Man Jack Convery & Lunch, November 23, 12:00pm

G.4 Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

Next meeting to be held on November 3, 2016

H. COMMITTEE INPUT/REMARKS

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida thanked Committee Members Faye Hall and Tamara Tucker for volunteering to host the Recreation & Community Services Department's information booth during the Newark Days Community Information Faire held on Sunday, September 18, 2016.

Committee Member Faye Hall invited members to attend a workshop - Surviving the Holidays – on Saturday, November 12 from 9:00 –Noon at Prince of Peace Church.

I. PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Jack Dane thanked the Newark Senior Center staff for another successful year hosting the Newark Senior Health Faire.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 am

Respectfully submitted,



Edda Rivera
Administrative Assistant