

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION
Thursday, May 7, 2015
San Dimas Senior Citizen/Community Center
201 East Bonita Avenue, San Dimas

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kane at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Maurice Kane, Chairperson
Jim Rowe, Vice Chairperson
James Shirley
Corazon Soriano
Wayne Tennille
Sue Welch
Ed Wolfe

Denis Bertone, Councilmember
Theresa Bruns, Parks & Recreation Director
Erica Rodriguez, Recreation Coordinator

Absent:

Lou Gross, unexcused
Chet Sasaki, excused

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION

No audience communication.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 5, 2015 MEETING AS MAILED

Commissioner Welch requested a revision on page two. The San Dimas Senior Citizens Club does not solicit gift cards with the exception of gifts received from members for their annual luncheon.

COMMISSIONER WOLFE MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON MARCH 5, 2015 AS CORRECTED, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER SORIANO AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

SENIOR CITIZEN/COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

A. Attendance/Participation

Staff reviewed the quarterly Senior Citizen/Community Center usage report and highlighted the upcoming special events at the senior center.

Staff held a Round-Up Social at Sunnyside Apartments on April 16 at 4pm. Staff invited Commissioners to attend the next Round-Up scheduled at Atria Rancho Park at 3pm on June 18.

B. Programs and Activities

Staff reviewed the following programs held in March and April:

March 18	Excursion – Temecula Wine Tour
March 20	Senior Event – St. Paddy’s Potato Dinner
April 8	Excursion – Fantasy Springs Casino (2 Buses)
April 10	Senior Event – Game Show Dinner
April 23	Excursion – Reagan Library

Upcoming events and activities include:

May 7	Excursion – In Full Bloom
May 9	Seasonal Event – 90+ Birthdays at Atria Rancho Park & San Dimas Retirement Center
May 20-22	Excursion – Las Vegas (3 Day)
May 28	Seasonal Event – Senior Volunteer Reception
June 4	Excursion – Amphibious Voyage
June 17	Excursion – Valley View Casino (2 Buses)
June 19	Senior Event – Luau Dinner
June 27	Excursion – All Shook Up

C. Miscellaneous

Staff presented the results of the Chuckwagon Lunch Program survey conducted in March 2015. Overall the participants are pleased with the program and give high ratings for the reservation process, volunteers, staff and value. Although the meal quality had many high marks, improvements were requested and select food options were preferred over others. Soup continues to be a crowd favorite, while Asian-style meals were the least favorite. Participants requested more fresh fruits and vegetables. The findings will be shared with the Intervale Senior Services Director and the Chuckwagon Site Manager. A follow-up survey will be conducted in August to document any changes.

SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION FOUNDATION

A. Quarterly Financial Report

Staff reported that for the bank statement ending March 31, the Commission Foundation Checking account balance is \$135.85 and the Money Market account balance is \$10,130.47. There are currently no recommendations for expenditures from the accounts.

B. Bylaws Update

Commissioner Kane shared a history and purpose of the Bylaws Review Sub-Committee. Director Bruns reported that staff met with the City Attorney to request their review of the revised bylaws. Staff will report the recommendations made by the legal team during the July meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Staff

Director Bruns stated that during the April 28 City Council meeting Nancy Wilson received a proclamation and was recognized as the 2015 Older American Honoree.

Director Bruns announced that terms are expiring for Commissioners Kane, Rowe, Soriano and Tennille, but are eligible for reappointment. Commissioners Kane, Rowe, Soriano and Tennille are interested in reappointment. Director Bruns stated that next year terms will conclude for Commissioners Gross, Sasaki and Wolfe, after six years of service.

Director Bruns reported that Marchant Park will be redesigned. The changes and improvements will include new accessible playgrounds, recreation building, Little League concession stand, restrooms, and picnic areas. The project is budgeted at \$1.1 Million and may need additional funding by the end of the project. \$250,000 are allocated from Prop A Grants and \$750,000 from Quimby Park Development fees.

Director Bruns reported that the Via Verde Park playground will be redesigned to meet ADA requirements.

B. City Council Liaison

Councilmember Bertone stated that water conservation requirements are affecting everyone. The new law prohibits cities from watering street medians. He stated that the City is required to reduce water consumption by 32%. Director Bruns stated that the water was shut off to all turf medians and a plan for landscaping will occur in stages. She stated that although park watering is reduced, sports fields and play areas will remain usable.

Councilmember Bertone announced that the restaurant LucaBella is open at the Walker House with great food and positive reviews.

Councilmember Bertone reported that on May 19 a Community Meeting will be held as part of the Park and Recreation Commission meeting regarding the Walnut Creek Open Space. The 60-acre park is in Phase One

of development, which will include a trail from Avenida Loma Vista connecting to the Antonovich Trail. A CEQA review will be held at City Hall on Tuesday, May 19 at 6pm, public comments are welcome. The Watershed Conservation Authority is the lead agency and they may approve the CEQA report.

Councilmember Bertone stated that the City Council will have a Study Session to review the Foothill Avenue Development project.

Councilmember Bertone stated that a meeting will be held on May 30 to review Phase 2B of the Gold Line Project which extends from Azusa to Montclair.

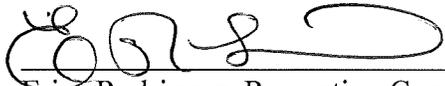
C. Members of the Commission

Commissioner Welch volunteered to lead additional Movie Bandit days each month beginning in July. Movies would be offered every Wednesday. Staff stated that it is a possibility pending room availability.

Commissioner Rowe inquired on penalties that Golden State Water may implement due to the water shortage. Councilmember Bertone and Director Bruns stated that Golden State Water has not stipulated or determined parameters for penalties.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER ROWE MOVED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER SORIANO.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. to July 2, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.



Erica Rodriguez, Recreation Coordinator