

CITY OF SAN DIMAS
SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION
Thursday, September 1, 2016
San Dimas Senior Citizen/Community Center Meeting Room
201 East Bonita Avenue, San Dimas

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Rowe at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jim Rowe, Vice Chairperson
Paul Brosche
Jay Pace
Veronica Saucedo
James Shirley
Wayne Tennille
Sue Welch

Denis Bertone, Councilmember
Leon Raya, Recreation Services Manager
Joseph Jones, Recreation Supervisor
Paige Rode, Senior Center Office Assistant
Orlando Soto, Recreation Specialist

Absent: Maurice Kane, unexcused
Corazon Soriano, excused

Joseph Jones, the newly hired Recreation Supervisor, was introduced to the Commissioners. Supervisor Jones outlined his professional background and experience. He said he is looking forward to enhancing existing Senior Center programs, as well as introducing some exciting new programs.

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION

No audience communication.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 7, 2016 MEETING AS MAILED

COMMISSIONER PACE MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON JULY 7, 2016, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TENNILLE AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

SENIOR CITIZEN/COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

A. Attendance/Participation

Staff reviewed the quarterly Senior Citizen/Community Center usage report. Manager Raya discussed the possibility of changing the process for the usage report in the near future. Supervisor Jones stated that the Western Days dinner was a sold out success with 100 people in attendance. Entertainment was provided by Young at Heart Theatre group which performed a western themed show.

B. Programs and Activities

Staff reviewed the following programs held in July and August:

August 10	Excursion- Brunch & Art at the Shore
August 11	Happy Hour and Lunch Social
August 24	Excursion- Sailors, Sunshine & Society
August 25	Bunko
August 26	Monthly Dinner- Western Days

Upcoming events and activities include:

September 8	Happy Hour and Lunch Social
September 14	Monthly Blood Pressure Screening
September 15	AARP Mature Driver
September 16	YWCA- San Gabriel Valley Senior Service Case Worker
	Senior Law Clinic- Attorney
September 28	Excursion- Fall into Colonial Times
September 30	Monthly Dinner- Viva Italia
October 10	AARP Mature Driver
October 12	Excursion- Valley View Casino
October 13	Monthly Dinner- Monsters Inc.
October 15	Healthy Brain Conference
October 16	Excursion- Big Bear Oktoberfest
October 21	YWCA- San Gabriel Valley Senior Service Case Worker
	Senior Law Clinic- Attorney
October 26	Excursion –Good ‘Ol Days
October 27	Flu Shot Clinic
	Bunko

C. Miscellaneous

Manager Raya and Supervisor Jones reported that the City in conjunction with the LA County Health Department will offer a free Flu Shot Clinic and Health Information Fair on October 27, from 9am-11am at the Community Building. Members of the Commission were invited to attend. Commissioners Saucedo, Shirley and Tennille expressed an interest in attending the event.

SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION FOUNDATION FINANCIAL REPORT

Manager Raya reported that for the bank statement ending July 31, the Commission Foundation Checking Account balance is \$.01, the Money Market Account balance is \$9,942.03 and the Savings Account Balance is \$5.00 for a total combined account balance of \$9,947.04. On July 11, \$20.00 was dispersed to Manager Raya, as reimbursement for the Secretary of State Information Filing Fee. On July 11, \$400 was dispersed to the IRS for the processing fee to reconsider tax status. Staff recommended that the Commission make a motion for the transfer of \$300 from the Money Market Account to the Checking Account to cover any incidental expenses.

COMMISSIONER WELCH MOVED FOR THE TRANSFER OF \$300 IN FUNDS FROM THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT TO THE CHECKING ACCOUNT, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER SHIRLEY AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Staff

Manager Raya thanked the Senior Center staff for their support and cooperation during the interim staff vacancy as well as during the first month of Supervisor Jones employment. Manager Raya reported the high level of service and commitment at the Senior Center has remained unchanged.

Manager Raya reported that the renaming of the Swim and Racquet Club was approved by City Council at the July 26, 2016 meeting. The new name for the facility is the San Dimas Recreation Center which more accurately represents the variety of health, fitness and recreation activities that take place there. Staff and a consultant are currently conducting a preliminary review of the facility for possible renovation in the future.

Manager Raya reported there were three follow-up items requested from the last meeting. He provided members of the Commission the following documents: 1. a copy of the Senior Commission Foundation Bylaws. 2. copy of the Senior Center donor wall brochure. 3. copy of the Senior Commission roster with contact information. Commissioner Brosche noted a correction to his email address.

B. City Council Liaison

Councilmember Bertone reported that the Downtown renovation project is scheduled to be complete before Thanksgiving. The main reason for the project was to meet current ADA requirements for the sidewalks. Additionally, 54 new trees will be planted.

Councilmember Bertone reported that the City passed a new smoking ordinance. There is already an ordinance in place that does not allow smoking in City parks and facilities. The ordinance has been expanded to include electronic cigarettes.

Councilmember Bertone reported that the City is working with the owner of the Via Verde Shopping Center for improvements to revive the center.

Councilmember Bertone reported that the City is working long-term to obtain some quiet zones along the Metrolink tracks in San Dimas.

Councilmember Bertone informed that if Measure M passes in the November election there will be funds available to complete Phase 3 of the Gold Line, which includes San Dimas.

C. Members of the Commission

Commissioner Brosche expressed concern about anticipated increased traffic on San Dimas Canyon Rd. once the Golden Hills Road is reopened. He stated the speed of drivers on San Dimas Canyon Rd. is also a safety concern.

Commissioner Welch said she enjoys the City excursions. She said she would like to see another overnight trip to the Monterey area.

Commissioner Pace would still like to see more parking spaces for seniors visiting the Senior Center. In addition, her role as liaison to the lunch meal provider, she will be requesting if more soup can be provided as a menu item.

Commissioner Shirley reported that he attended the 90+ Birthday Celebration at Atria Rancho Park and it was a successful event.

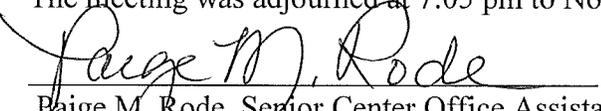
Commissioner Brosche added that he visited the Chuckwagon Lunch program and said he was very impressed by the number of participants and the friendliness of the staff and volunteers. He asked if the program were to reach capacity would there be room for it to expand in the future. Staff responded that they would have to look at facility availability.

Commissioner Rowe stated that anyone looking to donate should consider donating to the San Dimas Historical Society.

ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER WELCH MOVED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER SHIRLEY.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm to November 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm.


Paige M. Rode, Senior Center Office Assistant