

MINUTES – PLACENTIA SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING 4:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, April 9, 2014
CIVIC CENTER COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM
401 E.CHAPMAN AVENUE

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Beverly Cardwell called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Beverly Cardwell, Theresa Loftus, Dixie Shaw, and Robert Dewey,

Absent: Ron White

Staff Present: Veronica Ortiz, Community Services Coordinator, Jon Nicks, Deputy Director of Community Services, and Rebecca Garcia, Community Services Leader.

Guest: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – No members of the public were present.

1. Election of Officers

2. Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections made to the January 15, 2014 minutes. Bob Dewey motioned to approve the January 15, 2014 minutes and Teri Loftus seconded the motion.

3. Budget Log Review

Staff Ortiz passed out the revenues and expenditures report to the Committee members. Staff Ortiz noticed a small mistake on the budget log. The date is incorrect noting the last entry. It should read as April 7, 2014. That will be corrected.

3. Senior Center Operations:

Dixie questioned if there are enough supplies for the craft program at the Senior Center and is there a budget for those activities. Beverly explained that there are still plenty of supplies at the Senior Center. The Senior Advisory Committee is still interested in having someone come in with artistic experience to lead an arts and crafts activity on a regular basis at the center. Dixie shared a possible grant opportunity for an artist outreach program with the group. Community Services staff will contact the Picerne Foundation regarding the grant opportunity for more information. Teri mentioned that the chairs at the Senior Center could use new cushions. Teri also asked if maybe someone from the Legal Aide could come to the Senior Center possibly once a month to talk to the participants to provide legal information. Beverly inquired about having a recycle bin at the center. Rebecca mentioned it has been ordered from Senior Serv. Teri and Beverly expressed concerns about the Cathy

Torrez Learning Center participants not cleaning up the center after their use. City staff will work with both the Senior Center staff and the Cathy Torrez Learning Center staff to ensure clean up is done daily and properly.

4. Senior Excursions:

There was discussion on possibly attending some of the El Dorado High School performances at the new performing arts building. Ron White has taken on the task of gathering information on those performances. The Committee will wait to hear back from him. There was discussion on attending the Concerts in the Park series during all of July. The Committee agreed the July concert dates will work and we will proceed with setting those up.

5. Agenda Building

Leave the same items.

6. Committee Comments

Beverly mentioned that the Committee/Commission Appreciation dinner held at the Powell Building was a very nice event and she encouraged any of the Committee members who could not attend this year, make an effort to attend next year's event. She thanked City staff for their efforts in putting the event together. Beverly inquired about renovations to the Powell Building kitchen and bathrooms. Jon explained that we are still in the process of trying to secure funds for these projects and it's still possible that some of these items can get done through possible park development money after some of the new housing developments are built in the City. There was some discussion on the previous estimate that went to bid when elements of the building were refurbished. Jon also mentioned that the City is still actively seeking grant funding for building improvements but those funds are statewide and difficult to obtain. There was inquiry about renovations to the Back's Building and Jon explained that the City has submitted a grant application to try and obtain funding for the Back's building specifically with the hopes that eventually that could be the Senior Center site in the future. Dixie inquired if there is a need for anymore books or magazine donations for the Senior Center. City staff, Garcia mentioned that we get many donations and are currently not in need more. Dixie mentioned the Library is organizing a restaurant fundraiser with Craftsman Woodfire Pizza and asked if it would be something the Senior Center could put together as a fundraiser for the Senior Center activities. City staff explained that it is very possible to organize these types of fundraisers and can be easily put together as long as we contact the restaurant managers in advance. There was discussion on some ideas for a "Welcome Wagon" to promote Senior Center activities to new residents. It was mentioned that the staff at Emerald Isle are currently providing packets to their new residents containing Senior Center information.

7. Staff comments: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Teri Loftus motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 pm and Dixie Shaw seconded the motion with the next meeting to be held on July 9, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.