

MINUTES – PLACENTIA SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING 4:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, October 8, 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, Ron White

Staff Present: Veronica Ortiz, Community Services Coordinator, Jon Nicks, Director of Community Services, and Rebecca Garcia, Senior Community Services Leader, Olivia De La Rosa, Instructor Guard.

Guests: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – No members of the public were present.

1. Election of Officers

Staff member Ortiz opened the nomination for the Chair of the Senior Advisory Committee. Terri Loftus nominated Beverly Cardwell, Ron White seconded the nomination. No other nominations were made, the nominations were closed and there was a unanimous vote to re-elect Beverly Cardwell as the Chair Person for the committee. Beverly nominated Ron White for Vice Chair; Terri Loftus seconded the nomination, Dixie Shaw made a motion to close the nominations. Ron White was unanimously elected to be the Vice Chair.

2. Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections made to the April 9, 2014 minutes. Ron White motioned to approve the April 9, 2014 minutes and Beverly seconded the motion. The April 9, 2014 minutes were approved.

3. Budget Log Review

Staff member Ortiz passed out the revenues and expenditures report to the Committee members. Staff member Ortiz noticed a mistake on the budget log. The years are incorrectly labeled at the top of the page. It should read as 2013-2014. That will be corrected. The total in the account as of October 8, 2014 is \$1322.65.

4. Senior Center Operations:

Beverly Cardwell expressed her appreciation towards the senior center staff and her sadness about Katie Avila leaving the center. She also expressed her concerns about some of the center's amenities such as, losing the exercise class and the Senior Serv cook, Maria Martinez. In addition, she also mentioned her concerns regarding other facility improvements. Staff member Jon Nicks explained that the outside organization that

operates the current exercise class at the Senior Center has requested that each class have a minimum of 25 participants or they will no longer provide free classes. He also explained that there was not enough money in the budget to pay for an instructor. Committee member Dewey suggested that some of the money from the \$3,000 from the City be used to pay for the instructor. Staff informed the committee it is not possible to use any of that money because that money is already being used for other items at the center.

Staff member Ortiz stated that a meeting will be set up with a representative from the North Orange County Community College District to discuss the options regarding the exercise class. There was a suggestion to contact the City of Yorba Linda's Senior Center to get information regarding their exercise classes. Another option that was suggested was to find someone at Cal State Fullerton's kinesiology department and allow them to do an internship or student teaching at the Senior Center.

Staff member Jon Nicks went on to explain that Senior Serv has not been able to find someone for the Kitchen Manager position at the Senior Center but they will continue to recruit. For now the city staff will continue to cook and have extra staff to assist in day to day activities. Staff member Jon Nicks also stated that he was not sure if there was going to be enough money in the accounts to replace the window coverings but he would look into that. As for the chairs that need to be fixed, city staff will contact the manufacturer to see if they replacement parts. Committee member Terri Loftus reminded City staff about a vehicle that is parked in the Senior Center parking lot for extended periods of time and is not a part of the Senior Center. Staff member Veronica Ortiz spoke with the police department to see if there was anything that could be done about the vehicle and the Police Department explained that they would need a license plate number before they could send an officer out to give out any citations.

5. Senior Excursions:

Concerts in the Park were a big success this summer the seniors really enjoyed attending them. They loved having the reserved seating set up for them. The seniors also really enjoyed the excursion to the Aquarium of the Pacific and really appreciated the free lunch that they received as well. Committee member Dixie Shaw suggested that the seniors might be interested in going to the museums in the area. She also inquired about going to the movies like they had done in the past. Committee member Ron White suggested getting in contact with someone from the Placentia Yorba Linda School District to see if it was possible for the seniors to attend some of the plays and/or musicals that are held at the school district facilities at a low cost or free of charge.

6. Agenda Building

Leave the same items.

7. Committee Comments

Beverly Cardwell requested that when City staff is calling the committee members to make sure that they ask for a response if they are going to attend the meeting or not, also if they could call the City back if they received a message. Beverly noticed that the bus has been arriving to the center very late. Staff member Rebecca Garcia explained that the bus arrives

late because some of the participants do not call to notify Western Transit that they do not need to get picked up. It was suggested that City staff add to the newsletter a notice to reinforce the fact that participants need to call a head and let Western Transit know when they will not need a ride. Also it was requested that staff update the list of those who need a ride with Western Transit.

8. Staff comments

Staff member Veronica Ortiz reminded the committee to come by the Heritage Festival to be held on Saturday, October 11.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee member Ron White motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. and committee member Dixie Shaw seconded the motion with the next meeting to be held on January 14, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.