



CITY OF NEWARK

SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center
7401 Enterprise Dr., Newark, CA
9:15 a.m.

Minutes

Thursday, November 1, 2018

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Al Nagy called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Present were Senior Advisory Committee Members: Sandi Arellano, Rick Arellano, Elwood Ballard, Stanley Keiser, Kathleen Lemos, Miranda Miller and Glen Wickizer.

Advisory Committee Members Eileen McDonald and Dolores Powell were noted absent.

Staff present: David Zehnder, Karen Moraida and Cheryl Galvez

B. MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the October 4 Senior Advisory Committee Meeting were moved for approval by Committee Member Stanley Keiser, and seconded by Committee Member Sandi Arellano with all in favor.

C. WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

none

D. HUMAN SERVICES/SENIOR CENTER STAFF REPORT

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder distributed and summarized the comparison charts through October 2018 including updated Paratransit/Taxi Voucher information recently rebranded as RIDE-ON TRI-CITY! which includes: taxi service, ride-hailing service (through Lyft) and wheelchair-accessible van service. An effort is being made to move participants who do not require wheelchair accessibility toward more cost-effective and efficient taxi and ride-hailing services. A report on the new ride-hailing services will follow in the new year.

E. OLD BUSINESS

None

F. NEW BUSINESS

F.1 Fremont, Union City and Newark Joint Senior Commission/Committee Reports – Committee Member Woody Ballard

Committee Member Ballard distributed copies of positive surveys from the last Brain Health Event and asked the Committee Members if they had any input on challenges/issues to bring forward to the Joint Fremont, Newark and Union City Senior Committee. Committee Member Miranda Miller suggested caregiver support. Chairperson Al Nagy and Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida mentioned that Washington Hospital has free health and wellness programs, including caregiver support. Senior Recreation Supervisor Moraida encouraged all committee members

to refer seniors in need to the Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center staff who will provide referral to services.

F.2 Upcoming Programs/Trips/Special Events

Recreation Coordinator Cheryl Galvez reported the Newark Recreation Winter/Spring Activities Guide will be published later this month and registration will begin in December. Included in the guide will be: four special lunchtime events, free tax preparation services, a variety of special interest classes including an Emergency Preparedness Class presented by the Alameda County Fire Department and four new group day trips. Recreation Coordinator Galvez added the lunch with the Newark Police Department was a wonderful event, despite staff's disappointment in the 21 no-shows of the 59 seniors registered. Staff is taking measures to prevent so many no-shows in the future.

F.3 Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

December Breakfast – Thursday, December 6, 9:15am at My Café, Newark

Breakfast only, no meeting. Committee Members not planning to attend, please notify Senior Recreation Supervisor Moraida, as she is making a reservation.

G. COMMITTEE INPUT/REMARKS

Chairperson Nagy shared his recent attendance at a Tea held at the Masonic Home and advised it was a nice social event for elders in the community including a 105 year old brother and 100 year old sister from Fremont.

Committee Member Miranda Miller suggested the light show at Villa Montalvo in Saratoga was a wonderful activity.

Committee Member Glen Wickizer suggested the ACWD Desalination Plant was an interesting tour and added the plant supplies 25% of the water in our area.

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder invited committee members to the Holiday Tree Lighting Monday, December 3 at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Chairperson Nagy announced "Yowza" is now an official Scrabble word.

Committee Member Keiser reported the steel plate on the newly repaved Mathews Landing Road was opened and is a hazard on the road. Chairperson Nagy suggested it be reported to the City's Street Maintenance Division.

Committee Member Ballard stated his neighbor was held up at gunpoint and suggested people install security cameras as an added safety measure.

H. PUBLIC INPUT

None to report.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Galvez
Recreation Coordinator