



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, January 3, 2019

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Al Nagy called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Present were Senior Advisory Committee Members: Rick Arellano, Sandy Arellano, Stanley Keiser, Miranda Miller, Dolores Powell and Glen Wickizer.

Advisory Committee Members Elwood Ballard, Kathleen Lemos and Eileen McDonald were noted absent.

Staff present: David Zehnder and Karen Moraida

Staff absent: Cheryl Galvez

B. MINUTES APPROVAL

Committee Member Stanley Keiser requested a change from “man hole” to “steel plates” for the November 1 Minutes. The revised Minutes of the November 1 Senior Advisory Committee Meeting were moved for approval by Committee Member Stanley Keiser, and seconded by Committee Member Glen Wickizer 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 December 2018. Attendance, Volunteer Hours and Meals on Wheels remain consistent. Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder indicated he is expecting updated numbers for Paratransit/Taxi Voucher for the months of October through December 2018 at the February meeting.

E. OLD BUSINESS

None

F. NEW BUSINESS

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

None

F.2 Upcoming Programs/Trips/Special Events

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida reported that although the month of December was a short one it was a fun one. 100% of the 50 registrants for the Holiday Lunch participated and enjoyed a wonderful meal, holiday sing-a-long with the guitar group and an afternoon among friends. Senior Trips continue to be popular and the Angel Island trip scheduled for April

is already full with a waitlist. Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida encouraged members to register for the free Lunch and Bingo with the Police Department on Tuesday, January 15. Alameda County Fire will host a free Emergency Preparedness Class at the Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center on Tuesday, January 29.

**F.3 Upcoming Meeting Schedule:
February 7, 2019.**

G. COMMITTEE INPUT/REMARKS

Chairperson Nagy shared that he had gone by the Senior Housing on Willow Street and was pleased to see folks moving in. There is no information regarding a Grand Opening at this time.

Chairperson Nagy inquired about a chartered bus for a High School Reunion.

Committee Member Miranda Miller inquired about a program that offers daily phone calls to seniors that are isolated. Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida stated she would inquirer at Life Elder Care to see if they offered a program. Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida indicated that Life Elder Care offers a Friendly Visitor Program, but she wasn't sure if they also offered a daily phone call program.

Committee Member Dolores Powell stated that the new Senior Housing one bedroom unit was too small, and that the two bedrooms were larger, but more costly. She indicated that Fremont lost 200 section 8 housing options.

Committee Member Rick Arellano expressed his appreciation to staff for the excellent holiday lunch and that he actually thought it was catered and not prepared by staff. He thanked the staff and volunteers.

Committee Member Dolores Powell inquired if AARP Taxes would be available again at the Senior Center. Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida indicated yes and that appointments could be made at the front desk beginning on Monday, January 7.

Committee Member Rick Arellano inquired about abandoned vehicles on his street. He had sent a request through the Newark Police on-line reporting service but hadn't seen any resolution to the situation.

Committee Member Stanley Keiser commented on many community members who leave their bulk pick up out for many days rather than the required night before.

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida encouraged members to let her know if they had suggestions for guest speakers for future meetings. Committee Member Glen Wickizer suggested PG&E, ACWD or Republic Services.

H. PUBLIC INPUT

None

I. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Karen Moraida
Senior Recreation Supervisor**