

# **County of Santa Cruz**

### **SENIORS COMMISSION**

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# **Seniors Commission Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 12:30 p.m. United Way of Santa Cruz County 4450 Capitola Road, Suite 106, Capitola, CA 95010

Present: Lynn McKibbin (District 5); Carol Childers (District 5); Lois Sones (District 3); Lou

Tuosto (District 4); Michael Lewis (District 1); Lynne Simpson (District 1); Jeana De

La Torre (District 2); Charles Molnar (Ex Officio, CSL)

Absent: Fred Martinez (District 4); Clyde Lawrence (District 2); Staff: Britt Harmssen, Equal Employment Opportunity Officer

Marisela Nuñez, Extra-Help Commissions Coordinator

Guests: A. John Daugherty, Jr, Commission on Disabilities Commissioner.; Patty Talbott,

Seniors Council; C. Stoney Brook, Human Services Commissioner; Jean Brocklebank, Mobile and Manufactured Home Commission Commissioner;

Meeting was convened at 12:36 p.m.

1. Roll Call, Agenda Review and Approval of Minutes

#### 2. Written Communications

- A. A flyer for a "meet the candidates" event was distributed in order to provide a possible venue for commissioners to raise awareness of senior issues.
- 3. Oral communications and announcements- for any items not on the agenda. The Commission may listen, ask questions for clarification, refer the matter to staff, or add the matter to the agenda for a future meeting. Comments are limited to three minutes in duration.

A. John Daugherty, Jr. shared updates on transportation including the fares for fixed rides and pass holders, and circulated a master schedule for transportation, included in a "Headways" publication.

4. Human Services Commission Presentation (15 minutes)

A. Stoney Brook provided highlights on peer/companion and housing resources that intersect the veteran, senior and transitional-age populations. Resources can be accessed via the Veterans court and the Monterey Veteran Services Day, held every Wednesday from 9:00am-12:00pm.

#### 5. Election of Officers

A. Approve re-election of Lynn McKibbin and Carol Childers as Chairs to the commission. Motion/Second: Sones/Simpson.

Ayes: 5 Abstain: 2 Motion Passed.

#### 6. 2018 Work Plan Reports

- A. Sidewalk Safety Presentation (30 minutes)
  - 1. Approval to send report to Board of Supervisors for review. Motion/Second: Sones/McKibbin.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 1 Motion Passed.

- B. Public Guardian Report
  - 1. Approval to send report to Board of Supervisors for review. Motion/Second: McKibbin/Simpson. Passed unanimously.
- C. Funding Priorities Discussion
  - 1. De La Torre will report commission's discussions on the lack of sufficient knowledge of county and municipal priorities, especially as related to budgets. Commission will support the priorities of the Senior Council.

# 7. Solution Summit Workgroup Reports

- A. Sones reported that the aging in place workgroup is creating an infographic to highlight policy issues related to aging in place support.
- B. McKibbin requested monthly updates regarding the senior council issues. Patty will coordinate with commissions staff to distribute to commissioners.

# 8. Seniors Brochure Update

A. Britt Harmssen updated the Senior's Commission brochure for commissioners to utilize and distribute as appropriate.

# 9. Commissioner Reports and Announcements

- A. Lewis reported that applications to join a Measure D oversight committee are due June 1<sup>st</sup>. More information can be found on the county Measure D website.
- B. Lewis reported that community members are providing feedback regarding ongoing and future developments near Capitola road and Highway 17. Developments include 60 affordable housing units.
- C. Patty Talbott shared the status of the change in ownership of the nearby community annex, which houses the Live Oak Senior center, Alzheimers group meeting space, meals on wheels and senior network.

# 10. Staff Report

A. Marisela will be joining Britt at future commission meetings during her training as the Extra-Help Commissions Coordinator. Marisela can be reached via the commissions phone line (831) 454-2772.

#### 11. Adjournment at 2:27 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at the United Way of Santa Cruz beginning at 12:30pm.

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