

CITY OF FORT COLLINS
SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES: MEETING Of August 13, 2003
Chairperson – Mike Buderus – 223-0907
Staff Liaison – Barbara Schoenberger – 224-6026
City Council Liaison – Ray Martinez, Mayor – 221-6506

Attendance:

Mike Buderus
Mike Richardson
Bud Herin
John Roberts
Eileen Hendee
Chris Bartlett
John Smith
Dianne Heath

Excused Absence:

Darren Gunn
Jim Downey
Eileen Hendee

Other Absence:

Guests:

Marjorie McTaggart
Bill Neal
Gary Nordic
David Jensen
Fred Croachie

Liaison:

Ray Martinez, Mayor

Staff:

Barbara Schoenberger
Karen Bryner

Preceding meeting Mayor Ray Martinez presented "What's Happening in Fort Collins".

I. Call Meeting to Order:

Chairperson, Mike Buderus, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m..

II. Approval of Minutes:

Bud Herin made a motion to accept the minutes, John Smith seconded the motion. The motion was passed

III. Citizen Participation:

Marjorie McTaggart – TRIAD- Car Care/Safety Check will be held September 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Foothills Fashion Mall parking lot. Event will include displays of antique cars. Sponsors are needed. No one will be turned away regardless of age.

Bill Neal, Gary Nordic, David Jensen, and Fred Croachie with Wheeler Realty reviewed a history of negotiations between Wheeler Realty and the City of Fort Collins that would have allowed Wheeler Realty to purchase a parcel of ground south and west of the Senior Center for development. Monies from the sale of the land to Wheeler would have allowed the City to purchase land adjacent to the Senior Center on Shields Street to be developed in to additional parking. It would have also allowed for good visibility for the Center from Shields Street. Wheeler also stated that they were willing to build a parking structure or addition to the Senior Center and lease it back to the City until funding could be found for purchase (on the remaining amount of land to the west of the Center). The City declined the previous offer but Wheeler Realty would like to reopen discussions.

The Board was asked for support and a recommendation to the City Council. Steve Budner will be invited to the next meeting to give information on this project. John Richardson will call John Fischbach for more information.

IV. Correspondence:

Letter received from Mayor Ray Martinez regarding his recent attendance at the annual conference of Mayors in June of 2003. He included information about two resolutions: (#85) Parkinson's disease and (#14) Earned Income Tax credit precertification.

Mike Buderus and Eileen Hendee attended City Council for the periodic review and then were available for questions. Council has responded that no action be taken regarding the Senior Advisory Board at this point.

Kay Rios – Thank you note from Kay Rios regarding the “Annual Caring Hearts Walk-A-Thon.” Kay thanked the Board for the food provided and also staffing it. The turnout was small, however, \$1,000 was raised. Shirts were passed around for the Board.

Resolution with the Liaisons for different boards. Mayor Ray Martinez is the SAB's liaison again.

V New Business:

John Roberts suggested that the Senior Advisory Board keep raising the issue of the bus route as a senior issue. John volunteered to write a letter to be signed next month and then sent to the City Council. Mike Richardson suggested that a representative from Transport be invited to an SAB meeting to explain stated cost of running a bus route.

Barbara Schoenberger read an invitation for a member of the SAB to attend a meeting on August 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Boy's and Girl's Club in Fort Collins to

participate in discussion about transportation funding. Mike Richardson volunteered to attend the meeting.

V. Old Business:

- A. Outreach meeting September 10th at Parkwood Estates. Meeting at 11:00 a.m. Lunch for the Board will be served at 12:30 p.m.
- B. Bridging the Gap – Invitations have been sent out, anyone wanting to attend needs to sign up. There is a \$15.00 registration fee. John Roberts made a motion that the City will pay on the basis that you show up. If you don't go, you are then responsible to pay the registration fee. Any SAB board member attending the luncheon will serve as a table host. Everyone will be assigned a table to make sure everyone is involved in the conversation. Mike Buderus will be the facilitator.
- C. Bridging the Gap Senior Service Award Nomination – The SAB nominated Kay Rios for the award at last year's event and she won. The nominee needs to be a volunteer or a 501C3.
- D. Chili Cookoff Team – The Board needs a lead person for the September 6th event. Dianne Heath, Mike Richardson, Mike Buderus and Chris Bartlett will help. Dean Miller and Mike Buderus will do the shopping and everyone will help pay.
- E. Work Plan Review – Barbara passed out a rough draft of the survey. Everyone was asked to make comments and will discuss at next meeting.

VI. Liaison Reports

- A. Larimer County Senior Network – Mike Buderus – Senior Network did not meet this past month.
- B. LosAncianos – John Smith has called the Northside Center several times and has been unable to talk to Debra Bueno. Barbara suggested John call Peggy Bowers.
- C. Office on Aging – Dean Miller gave report on current activities and showcased a current report issued by that office. Mike Richardson suggested sending a copy of that report to Mayor. Dianne Heath suggested that the Senior Advisory Board put together a recommendation about what we see is the need for the City to be doing to prepare for the aging of our community. Mike Richardson suggested that everyone should get a copy of the report review it and then put together a recommendation to send with report to the City Council.

The 2004 Office on Age budget has been cut a little over 1/3 (\$70,000.00). Home delivery meals have been cut also.

- D. Calendar of Events – Bud Herin reported that September 6th is the Chili Cook-off, September 7th is Grandparents Day, October 8th will the joint meeting with the Senior Council at 12p.m. with lunch being served.

VI. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned

Karen Bryner, Recording Secretary