



Randy also spent some time discussing the Paint-A-Thon. We discussed corporate sponsors and other organizations that might be interested in a Paint-A-Thon. Rusty and June will meet and discuss possibilities and potential contacts.

**V. Correspondence:**

- Application from the OOA for funding
- Application for New West Fest registration
- Handouts from PVH / ASPEN Club regarding prescriptions

**VI. Approval of the Minutes:**

- **There were corrections to the minutes from the meeting of March 8, 2000**

They are as follows:

**Transportation:** The second sentence reads " there is a possibility that if seniors are not ADA certified they would not be able to use". This is incorrect and should be removed.

The second paragraph, the sentence begins: " Federal goat approves plan to widen I-25". It should read Federal government.

After the correction was addressed a motion was made by Kristin to accept after corrections are made. George Kress second the motion.

**VII. Old Business:**

- **Transportation:**

A copy of the Transfort Strategic Operating Plan was given to each Board member. We reviewed our memo to City Council regarding the Plan. The Board approved the memo, Erik will sign and the memo will be sent to City Council members. Kay stated that a consultant from California was hired. The City Council will give them direction and the referendum will be on the ballot next April.

Florence reported:

- √ I-25 corridor plans unveiled with a \$1 billion dollar price tag. State officials will not support a statewide tax until further studies are completed.
- √ Additional test will be done to resolve the dispute that bridge girders are defective and in need of repairs.
- √ Transportation officials agree that there are more needs than it has money to address them.
- √ Despite the increasing traffic and the rise in the death toll on US 287 CDOT does not see this as a priority, as they do not feel that this is a safety issue.
- √ There will be a workshop held on May 3rd and May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Marriott Courtyard to discuss Harmony & College access.
- √ Monorail boards future in peril.
- √ Per *The Coloradoan opinion* column transportation, education funding and growth top the list for next year's legislation.
- √ Also in *The Coloradoan*, Craig Bloom from Fort Collins recommended that suspending driving privileges to impress those ignoring red lights, bicycles going the wrong way, ignoring stop signs and cross walks as well as speeding. The FCPD was called and they replied that they are aware of these infractions and that "they have more important crimes" to handle.
- √ The Wal-Mart appeal deadline passes and the City Council vote stands.

- **Outreach:**

No report.

- **Housing:**

Kay reported that the records for the Northern Hotel project still have not been obtained.

The Conflict Resolution Tea scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup> is still on the calendar, however they had only 2 responses. Phone calls will be made to personally extend invitations to this function.

- **Paint-A-Thon:**

June reported that she has not heard from any of the people that she sent letters to. Follow up phone calls have produced no responses. She will be contacting Randy Collins from Neighbor to Neighbor and they will meet to discuss other options and contacts.

- **Discounted Medications:**

June reported that her meeting with Congressman Bob Schafer went well. His office will be sending to her the names and phone numbers of pharmaceutical companies that she should contact. He also reviewed a bill that is being written by Jim McCrery 4<sup>th</sup> District, Louisiana. Barbara reported that the meeting with representatives from the various programs went well and a decision was made that John Pfeiffenberger will write an article for Pathways and June will assist with the article.

Florence stated that she called one of the pharmaceutical companies and they informed her that they have a Patient Assistance Program, which supplies prescriptions free to individuals that cannot afford their medication. The physician that is writing the prescription should be made aware of the financial hardship and assist the patient. The Patient Assistance Program that Florence called has a toll free number, (800) 240-3820. During our last meeting a suggestion was made to write to your Congressman to support bill H.R. 3240. A sample letter was attached to the previous minutes. Additional articles regarding price reductions and drug cost were handed out.

- **Human Relations Award:**

The Lutheran Brotherhood won the award for organization.  
Ellen Long won for the Senior Division

- **New West Fest:**

FOA, OOA, and SAB will share a booth and split the cost. We will share the manning of the booth. SAB will set up and tear down the booth. Kay will do the registration. We will need to do training for those who will be manning the booth.

- **Chili Cook Off**

OOA accepted our challenge (that Kay proposed). They need 40 judges, 40 similar gifts for cook's bags. There will also be door prizes.

- **Liaison Reports:**

**RSVP** no report  
**City Line** no calls reported

**FOA:** sent out information about the Foundation to various service providers for seniors Larimer County. Received inquiries from five of those agencies. Interested in sharing booth at New West Fest with other senior oriented agencies. Will share the fee for the booth. Provided funding for two projects that involved repair and equipment for low-income seniors.

OOA: May is Older Americans month.

**Others**

Marjorie reported that the turn out for the SOAP performances was very good.

Marjorie reported that the Catholic Charities Northern requested \$6500 from CDBG for senior services. They received nothing.

Barbara reported that the Job Fair will be held at the Chilson Senior Center on September 21<sup>st</sup> from 12:30 to 5 PM. Last year approximately 600 potential employees turned out. They were looking for "real" jobs that paid well. This year Barbara is encouraging more employers to participate.

**VIII. New Business:**

**A. Older Americans Month (the entire month of May)**

- May 15 -21 Celebrations will be held all around the country
- May 15- 21 is also Senior Center Week as well as Nursing Home Week.

**B. Aspen Club will hold its dinner dance on May 25<sup>th</sup>.**

**C. Poker Walk will be held on May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**D. The Recreation Division is working with a survey company in Denver; there will be a park user survey on the net.**

**E. \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT \*\*\*\*\***

A memo was received from Karla Smith form the B&C stating that the Council recently reviewed the roles and functions of city boards and commissions. One of the changes that Council requested was to change the membership terms from expiring mid-year to year-end. This will better facilitate the recruitment and interview schedule for annual appointments. An ordinance will be brought to Council for further review on June 5 which will extend every board member's term to expire on December 31 rather than June 30. The year of the expiration term will not change. Letters will be sent after the Ordinance passes to inform board members of this action. If there are any board members whose terms will expire this year and they cannot serve the extended time until year-end, a letter of resignation needs to be submitted and Karla needs to be notified ASAP. The B&C will try to fill vacancies on an as needed basis. Annual recruitment will begin early September. Applications will be due early October and appointments will go before Council in December.

Having no other business before us, Marjorie moved to close the meeting. John seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by June M. Tucker**