

COMMISSION ON AGING MINUTES
Galt Parks & Recreation Department Conference Room
610 Chabolla Avenue, Galt, CA 95632
Thursday, May 23, 2013 – 5:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nicolaus, Hanchey, Roberts

OTHERS PRESENT: Monica Lopez, Parks & Recreation Supervisor, Liz Aguire, Galt City Clerk and Ralph Cortez, Galt resident.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Under Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the audience may address the Commission on any item of interest to the public or any agenda item before or during the Commission's consideration of the item.

ORDER OF BUSINESS: The meeting was called to order at 5:15 P.M. A motion was made by Comm. Nicolaus and seconded by Comm. Roberts to approve the meeting minutes of April 25, 2013.

OLD BUSINESS:

City Clerk, Liz Aguire, was present at our May meeting to present information and training on the Brown Act. The Brown Act is the law that requires public access to meetings and requires the elected officials to let the public speak. It has been in existence since 1953. An agenda must be posted 72 hours in advance of a meeting so the public is notified and has the opportunity for input. A quorum of 3 or more members is needed to vote on an agenda item. An item not on the agenda can have discussion but no action can be taken or no votes. It is the responsibility of the Chair to keep the focus on the present agenda item at the meeting and not let the discussion wander. The Commission on Aging is an "advisory only" committee.

The new Character Coalition form was presented at the meeting. To be nominated, a person must be of good character, trustworthy, and an upstanding citizen in the community. The members were asked if they knew of anyone they would like to nominate. The commission had no nominees at this time.

The Senior Games are Thursday, June 6th at the Chabolla Center. The Commission will be introducing the "walk" again this year but more advertising is needed to promote this event. The walk is approximately 7/10 of a mile. Comm. Roberts will be purchasing gift cards to present to the winners. Along with the gift cards, the commission provides donuts and coffee during event set-up. The expense for coffee and donuts will be approximately \$70 plus the cost of incidental items such as sugar, creamer, napkins and cups. Council Member Payne's discretionary fund has a remaining balance of approximately \$150 and will be used to purchase these items. Any balance remaining will be given to the youth committee per Council Member Payne. Galt Rotary member Janice Reuthinger will invite the city council members to the Senior Games.

Comm. Hanchey, Comm. Nicolaus and Comm. Roberts attended the May 21st City Council meeting. Comm. Roberts presented each council member with a copy of the newly updated resource guide. He also informed them of the upcoming Senior Games and our participation in that event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Comm. Roberts said he would like to be considered an official representative of our Commission, as he would like to meet with the Commission on Aging in Sacramento. His purpose would be to gain a better understanding of the Commission at a higher level.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryn Nicolaus, Secretary

