

COMMISSION ON AGING MINUTES
Galt Parks & Recreation Department Conference Room
610 Chabolla Avenue, Galt, CA 95632
Thursday, October 25, 2012 – 5:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wallin, Klooster, Hanchey, Nicolaus

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 5:13 P.M. A motion was made by Comm. Klooster and seconded by Comm. Hanchey to approve the meeting minutes of Sept 27, 2012.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion continued on the printing of the resource guide. Several individuals have contacted Comm. Hanchey with some corrections to the newly updated guide. Comm. Klooster suggested that the front cover needs a "make-over" and more information added such as our monthly meeting information. Comm. Wallin volunteered to take on that project. Comm. Nicolaus expressed concern whether to spend money on printing the guide as the format is not set up in a professional manner. Do we want to print this format or wait to possibly incorporate our information into the Galt Chamber of Commerce Community Resource Guide? Comm. Wallin reminded us that the next edition of the Chamber guide would not be available or distributed until the Strawberry Festival in May 2013. The Commission will continue to review the guide so the most current information can be presented to the Chamber in January. A special meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 5:15 P.M. at Denny's in Galt to discuss changes and corrections before printing. Our goal is to have the guide corrected and printed in time for distribution at the Senior Christmas Luncheon at the Chabolla Center on December 13, 2012. Comm. Wallin will contact Monica at the Parks and Recreation Dept. of the meeting.

Comm. Hanchey reminded the commission of the upcoming AARP driving class. This is a refresher-driving course for seniors and when completed a certificate is issued. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. This event is sponsored by the Commission on Aging and is free to veterans and spouses.

Comm. Wallin provided information from another senior advisory committee regarding their purpose and involvement in their community. This was presented for review to gain insight as to the function and duties of other senior organizations. Concern has been expressed that the Commission's effectiveness in Galt has been minimal to the seniors. This primarily exists due to lack of exposure of the Commission to the community. Comm. Wallin suggested that we use "e-blast" which is the Chamber of Commerce members email and format an application for a new commissioner for the Commission on Aging. This would give us some exposure plus the opportunity to fill a vacant position on the Commission. Comm. Klooster suggested that we organize an event that would rely on participation from Galt business owners such as hair salons providing free or reduced cost haircuts to seniors. Also suggested was to have a float in the Galt 4th of July parade. The objective is to give exposure to the Galt Commission on Aging.

NEW BUSINESS:

Comm. Nicolaus suggested that we have a resource table at the Senior Christmas luncheon where we can have information available on the Commission and also distribute the resource guide. Comm. Nicolaus will present this idea to South County Services for approval.

Comm. Hanchey informed the Commission that there has been a peanut butter recall. She also informed us that Meals on Wheels has had some problems with some food not be cooked properly. If the situation happens again Meals on Wheels will provide frozen meals to the seniors that would need to be cooked at home.

The November Commission on Aging meeting falls on Thanksgiving Day. It was approved by all to change the meeting date to the following Thursday, November 29, 2012. Comm. Wallin will contact Monica at Parks and Recreation Department of the change.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryn Nicolaus, Secretary

