STATEMENT OF VISION

Lafayette's panoramic view of the Rocky Mountains inspires our view into the future. We value our heritage, our unique neighborhoods, a vibrant economy and active life-styles. We envision a future that mixes small town livability with balanced growth and superior city services.

Senior Advisory Board

9/11/13

Meeting Minutes

3:30-5:30 p.m.

Lafayette Senior Center 103 S. Iowa Ave

Board Members Present:
Robin Osborne, Carol Poore, Bob Magin, Jay Ruggeri, Denise Ramunda, and Diane Robison
Board Members Absent:
Ruth Gensert Jones, Jean Gilmore (alternate 1)
City Council Liaison:
Brad Wiesley
Senior Services Staff:
Vern Swanagon
Public representative:
None

OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Robin Osborne called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:
None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
The August minutes were tabled for approval until the next meeting.
Denise Ramunda was welcomed and introduced as the board's newest member.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:
Brad Wiesley reported:

- 7 candidates have applied for the 4 open spots on the Lafayette City Council, including Brad. There will be 2 forums televised live on the Government access channel. The forum on October 2, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.is sponsored by the Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee. The one on October 10, 2013 is sponsored by the Boulder County League of Women Voters at 7:00; both will be held in the council chambers.

STAFF REPORT:
Vern Swanagon asked Renee Fabini and Lorna Beard to report.

- Renee Fabini reported:
  1. The Art Show running from September 30-October 16, 2013 has about 30n artists contributing. There will be a Reception and Awards Ceremony on October 17, 2013 from 5-7:30 p.m.
  2. Movie day is attracting more people.
  3. Birthday celebrations have been reinstated.
  4. Check the brochure for the monthly morning coffee dates.
  5. Two of the scheduled trips are sold out.
- Lorna Beard reported:
  6. Fall prevention Week is 9/23-9/27/13.
  7. Nutrition Program
     - Annie Baker is in charge of Senior Services Nutrition and is Meal Site Coordinator.
     - Sandra Kramer is the new nutrition substitute.
     - Joy Mortell is the customer service representative.
     - Volunteers have really stepped up.
  8. Home Modification Program has spent $7000 so far this year and has about $3000 left.
  9. Nutrition Outreach discussed.
  10. Medicare Basics Class coming up.
  11. VIA travel program discussed
- Curt Cheesman reported:
  1. He discussed who we are, where we are going, transparency, etc.
  2. He took over as director in 2010; he has been with the city for 23 years.
  3. Department is becoming Nationally Accredited
  4. Housing for seniors has blossomed.
  5. We are facing new demands and need to service the masses; we need to have a pulse on the community because the community is changing.
  6. We are not getting rid of the Senior Center.
  7. Authentic trust
  8. Josephine Commons-- it was requested that Josephine Commons personnel should attend our meetings.
  9. Want to be productive; journey together
  10. Willing to meet with any of us individually.
  11. Wants to develop programs without walls.
  12. Dream Machine usage--City of Lafayette owns 20% of the bus but we have not gotten use of it as often as we'd like because it needs to be more full than our numbers have been in the past.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PR/MARKETING:
No Report
HOUSING:
Carol Poore and Jay Ruggeri reported on the meeting they had.

- Curt Cheesman can help with a setting up a meeting with Norrie. Now is the time to meet as phase 2 is beginning.
- Jay Ruggeri would like to write a letter regarding crossings at 287 and South Boulder Road and Coal Creek as well as accessible parking and smart homes. Curt Cheesman to follow-up with feedback from the letter.

PROGRAMS FOR YOUNGER SENIORS:

Ruth Gensert-Jones was not present so no report provided.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS:

Bob Magin asked to postpone his report till next month when the DVD of the Peach Festival will be available.

FOUNDATION:

- Robin Osborne reported no members yet.
- EIN was filed but she has not heard back yet.

ACC:

Although not present at the meeting Robin Osborne reported on the August meeting in Nederland via the minutes:

- The county does not support affordable housing in more remote areas of Boulder County. They do support "land banking" and the land gets annexed into local municipalities. County zoning: No more than 3 unrelated people living together in a house.
- Affordable senior housing in Longmont ranges from modest prices to private places starting at $2200/month. There is a wide range of cost; the waiting lists are long and getting longer.
- It was suggested we create a report that members can use in the future.
- It was suggested that the AAC write a guest editorial in the newspapers to raise awareness about housing issues and what the ACC is doing to address existing issuers.
- There is a PBS show about an independent living center and their struggles to house people with greater care needs. www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/life-and-death-in-assisted-living
- It was suggested that the County go after Lottery revenues as a funding source.
- We need sustainable housing not just affordable housing.
- NORCs might be useful in mountain communities where seniors are aging in place together. There is funding available that might be beneficial.
- Greenhouse home idea is basically a nursing home but it is small (less than 15 people) and very personal.
- The redevelopment of the area by South Boulder Road and east of the railroad tracks will delay the senior housing project that is currently planned.
- Manor Care is trying to get rid of long term care.
- How do we encourage donations for the foundation?
- Report from a funded Provider on wellness and nutrition. Conduct Evidence Based Wellness Programs, Be Well. Matter of Balance, Falls Talk. Falls Prevention Week, Healthy Moves for Aging well, Provide one-on-one consultations through BCAAA staff, "Lunch and Learns" at meal sites.

NUTRITION:
Diane Robison reported nothing additional to what Lorna reported.
HOSPITALITY:
Cards sent by the Hospitality Chairman, Lela Rippeth

6/14-7/10/13	
Get Well	1
Thinking of You	24
7/5-8/5/13	
Get Well	2
Thinking of You	22
8/6-9/6/13	
Get Well	1
Sympathy	1
Thinking of You	22

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:
Review of the By-Laws and the Colorado Sunshine Law

- Robin Osborne voiced concerns about page 4, Article 3 Section 8A--excused vs. unexcused absences. The consensus was that at a minimum, board members need to contact the staff liaison for an absence to be excused.
- Jay Ruggeri moved and Bob Magin seconded the motion that Ruth Gensert-Jones and Jean Gilmore be documented with an approved absence for this meeting.

- Attendance guidelines and term limits tabled till next month.
- Correspondence from Residents from Affinity at Lafayette tabled until next month. .
- SAB members attending senior lunches at Josephine Commons once/month. Tabled until next month.
- Board member positions. Tabled until next month.
  - Alternate member update: Joyce Summer's application.
- Review the SAB binders. Binders handed out but discussion tabled until next month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
None
SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS for next month's meeting:
All the tabled items under scheduled agenda items.
ADJOURNMENT:
5:50 p.m.
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at 3:30 P.M. at Lafayette Senior Services.

Respectfully Submitted:
Diane Robison, Secretary