## COMMITTEE: GENERAL JULY10, 2014 LOCATION: MARGUERITA JOHNSON SENIOR CENTER

**PRESENT:** Asimos, Bedinger, Bloch, Bortel, Brilliant, Dowling, Gertler, Gontarz-York, Hickey, Kirshbaum, LaMorte, Locks, Monson, Peters-Janover, Smith, Timms, Turner, Wilson, Zeller

**EXCUSED:** Boutilier, Kemp, Livoti, Marchese

RECORDER: Michele McCabe

NEXT MEETING: September 11, 2014 at Margaret Todd Senior Center, Novato CA

MINUTE SUMMARY	ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY
<b>Presentation:</b> "On the Road to Life, Drive Yourself," presented by Donna Robbins: CEO of Ultimate Moves.	
Surprise performance by the Marin City Community Choir, Florence Williams Director; introduced by Commissioner Bloch.	
Call to Order Chair Monson called the meeting to order at 11:25 am.	
Approval of Agenda The July 10, 2014 agenda was approved as submitted.	
Approval of the Minutes The minutes of June 12, 2014 were approved as written.	

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Open Time for Public Expression:  • Reverend Franklin welcomed the Commission to Marin City.	
<ul> <li>Chair's Report: Monson reported the following:</li> <li>Introduced new commissioners Conn Hickey (District 2) and Fran Wilson (Town of Tiburon).</li> <li>Commented on the Marin Civil Grand Jury Report.</li> <li>Currently developing the protocol with the Board of Supervisors for the Legislative Task Force to write advocacy letters to legislative personnel in Sacramento.</li> </ul>	
Vice-Chair Report: No Report  Action Item: Election of the Nominating Committee: Chair asked for volunteers and nominations: The following Commissioners were voted and will comprise the Nominating Committee for Fiscal Year 2014-15: Gertler, Bortel, Bloch and Brilliant.	
Action Item: City of Sausalitos' Age-Friendly Recognition: Approval of certificate to recognize the City of Sausalito for their Age-Friendly designation. The certificate was approved by the Commission for presentation to the City of Sausalito.	
Committee Reports:	
<ul> <li>Health and Nutrition: Chair Asimos reported:</li> <li>The next meeting is Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. Dr. Salvatore Iaquinta will speak on end of life issues.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Housing and Transportation: Chair Bortel reported:</li> <li>The next meeting will be held on July 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.</li> <li>Tiburon Community Shuttle connects to the Marin Airporter.</li> </ul>	

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<ul> <li>Legislative Task Force: Chair Bloch reported:</li> <li>The next meeting will be held on Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.</li> <li>Thanked Commission Chair Monson and Area Agency on Agency Director Lee Pullen for supporting letters of advocacy for recent bills related to residential care facilities.</li> <li>AB1744 CA Caregiver Act of 2014 will be considered by the task force at their next meeting.</li> <li>CSL will address fundraising in Sacramento next week on July 16<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>Planning: Chair Timms reported:</li> <li>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am at the Redwoods.</li> <li>Discussed the Prescription Drug Task Force; contact Area Agency on Aging Program Coordinator Amy Dietz if you would like to be involved in this discussion group.</li> </ul>	PARTY
<ul> <li>Planning Committee spoke about the Marin Civil Grand Jury Report.</li> <li>January 2015 will be the time Aging and Adult Services will issue an RFP for Family Caregiving. The Commission conducted interviews with caregivers last time and hopes to repeat the process. Each Commissioner will poll 5-10 family caregivers. The results will be used in the Area Plan Fiscal Years 2016-2020. Aging and Adult Services will also be looking for panelists for the January RFP selection committee. </li> <li>The last meeting in Larkspur with the mayor will be in August.</li> <li>The next Area Plan cycle for Fiscal Years 2016-2020 will be coming soon. The committee will</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>conduct a needs assessment for the next four year plan. The process from the last two cycles will be reviewed to maintain consistency in the process.</li> <li>Commissioner Sybil Boutilier will represent the Planning Committee at Executive Committee meetings.</li> </ul>	
Editorial Board:  • N/A	

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<ul> <li>Director's Report: Lee Pullen, Area Agency on Aging Director reported:</li> <li>Welcomed all the new commissioners. Pullen will reach out to all the new commissioners in the near future as part of the orientation process.</li> <li>Reported the new fiscal year is not in a deficit situation. Sequestration is still a possibility though the Marin County Board of Supervisors has backfilled any shortages thus far.</li> <li>The California Association of Area Agencies on Aging was disappointed that Older CA Act money was not restored.</li> <li>There will be a reorganization with Information and Assistance with more enhanced services which will include three new social workers and an I&amp;A Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is expected to approve these requests soon.</li> <li>Aging Action Initiative: Ad Hoc steering committee was formed in May and will be sending out invitations to work groups soon. There is an extra-hire opportunity for a part-time project coordinator.</li> </ul>	
Commission Updates:	
<ul> <li>Bedinger (District 2) Happy to be on COA. Enjoyed sitting at the COA booth at the Fairfax festival. Participated in the Prescription Drug Task Force representing seniors and visiting different meal sites.</li> <li>Bloch (CSL) Thanked people at Marguerita Johnson Senior Center for the refreshments.</li> <li>Bortel (CSL) Town of Tiburon received 11 applicants for consideration to fill the commission seat vacancy. Fran Wilson has been appointed for the next term.</li> <li>Brilliant (City of Mill Valley) Reappointed by the City of Mill Valley for the next three year term. She will continue to serve as the contact for the Marin Interagency Disaster Coalition Disaster Preparedness committee.</li> <li>Dowling (City of Ross.) Great we have a full commission.</li> <li>Gertler (Belvedere) Asked commissioners the following: "What do you want to have at the retreat?" "What style of meeting?" "What do you want to accomplish?" Requested commissioners</li> </ul>	

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<ul> <li>to get back to her before the next retreat planning meeting.</li> <li>Gontarz-York (District 5) Reappointed by the City of Novato for the next three year term. She will be acting as co-chair for the retreat planning committee. Requested commissioners to please hold October 2<sup>nd</sup> for the retreat. It would be nice to have fabulous and uplifting music to start the event. Also reported there is new movie coming out on dementia on August 15<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>Hickey (District 2) Introduced himself and noted he was a former member of the Ross Valley School Board. His Mom lives at the Redwoods and is very interested in the 2<sup>nd</sup> life process.</li> <li>La Morte (San Anselmo) Reportedthis is her second meeting and is looking forward to serving the Town of San Anselmo.</li> <li>Locks (San Rafael) Went to Town Council to promote the commission.</li> <li>Peters-Janover (District 5) Announced plans are underway for the commissions Senior Fair Booth. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you have any ideas, please email them to her. This year's theme is "Get Wired."</li> <li>Smith (Sausalito) Formed liaisons with the City's Department of Public Works and Parks and Recreation. Shared housing will be a topic of discussion.</li> <li>Timms (Fairfax) COA had a table at the Fairfax Festival. Rock star seniors meet every month for social time, lunch and to hear a guest speaker. Fairfax budget has a bit of money put aside for older adults.</li> <li>Wilson (Tiburon) Excited to dig in to her new position.</li> <li>Zeller (Corte Madera) Reappointed for the next three year term and is representing Corte Madera in their bid to be named an Age-Friendly Community.</li> <li>Adjournment:  The meeting adjourned at 12:29 pm.</li> </ul>	
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 11, 2014 at Margaret Todd Senior Center in the Hill Community Room located at 1560 Hill Road in Novato.	