

<b>COMMITTEE: GENERAL</b>	<b>MARCH 3, 2016</b>	<b>LOCATION: MARGARET TODD NOVATO</b>
<p><b>PRESENT:</b> Asimos, Bedinger, Bortel, Boutilier, Brilliant, Dowling, Gertler, Gontarz-York, Kemp, Kirshbaum, Lamorte, Livoti, Locks, Marchese, Monson, Peters-Janover, Smith, Timms, Turner, Wilson</p> <p><b>EXCUSED:</b> Bloch, Hickey, Zeller</p>		
<p>RECORDER: Michele McCabe</p>		
<p>NEXT MEETING: April 7, 2016 – San Rafael Community Center</p>		

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<p><b>Call to Order</b> Chair Dowling called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m. Chair reminded commissioners to raise their hand and use the microphone before speaking.</p> <p><b>Approval of Agenda</b> The agenda of March 3, 2016 was approved as written.</p> <p><b>Approval of the Minutes</b> The minutes of February 4, 2016 were approved as written.</p> <p><b>Open Time for Public Expression:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Erin McAuliff, Transportation and Mobility Planner for Marin Transit spoke about their interdepartmental study and reorganization. Their goal is to bring the results to their board in May.</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kari Beuerman, County of Marin Social Services Assistant Director spoke about how she was glad to be back and working with the Commission on Aging again.</li> </ul> <p><b>Chair’s Report:</b> Chair Dowling reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They had a great meeting with Health and Human Services Director Grant Colfax. They briefed him on the role and composition of the commission and the purpose of the Area Plan. Three items were suggested for his consideration: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Advocate for the needs of older adults across all of Health and Human Services.</li> <li>2. Identify research opportunities that support older adults.</li> <li>3. Establish a budget place holder for projects and services of the commission.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>Commissioner Colfax noted he was looking forward to working together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Economic Security Task Force was held. Their mission is to empower 60 + men and women to improve their economic security. The group is also looking for funding from the Aging Action Initiative. There are three working committees of this task force.</li> <li>• The Executive Committee is recommending a one day retreat for commissioners in the early fall. This will be a great opportunity to share information and get to know each other better. Chair Dowling asked for four to five commissioners to work on the retreat planning committee. Commissioners Livoti, Gertler, Kirshbaum and Brilliant volunteered to assist with the development of the retreat which will be held in September.</li> </ul> <p><b>Vice-Chair Report:</b> Vice Chair Locks reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in the Being Mortal event on February 22<sup>nd</sup> in San Geronimo Valley.</li> <li>• Attended Mark Levine’s meeting on the Death with Dignity Act held on February 11<sup>th</sup>. All the questions asked at the event were answered. There will be a follow-up later.</li> <li>• Locks also attended the graduation of the Mental Health Peer Counselors.</li> </ul>	

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<p><b>Action Items:</b> None</p> <p><b>Committee Reports:</b></p> <p><b>Health and Nutrition:</b> Chair Asimos reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Being Mortal presentation in San Geronimo went well with a delicious senior lunch served to 35 engaged participants.</li> <li>• Being Mortal presentation on March 24<sup>th</sup> will be in Bolinas. West Marin Senior Services (WMSS) is partnering with the committee on this event. The committee is also partnering with WMSS in the showing of Death Makes Life Possible in June.</li> </ul> <p><b>Planning:</b> Chair Timms reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup> to review and finalize the Area Plan.</li> <li>• In February the Planning Committee reviewed the other commission objectives.</li> <li>• HHS Director Grant Colfax wants to align all the HHS plans. What this means for Aging is yet to be seen.</li> <li>• Age-Friendly Support Group met this morning. The Planning Committee has an objective to present on age-friendly. If anyone is working on this project and doesn't come to the meetings, please let us know what you're doing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Housing and Transportation:</b> Chair Bortel reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting will be on April 20, 2016.</li> <li>• He has been the Oversight Committee chair for the last four years. Measure A – paratransit ½ cents sales tax &amp; Measure B license and vehicle tax generated about 2.2 million in revenue of which 35% should go to senior transportation. The annual report is available.</li> <li>• The committee will be working on revising the 2010 “white paper.”</li> <li>• The Senior Fair will be on October 26, 2016. They are always looking for people to volunteer.</li> </ul>	

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<p>Applications must be in by July. The Fair always sells out of available booths.</p> <p><b>Legislative Task Force:</b> Co-Chair Boutilier reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting will be March 4, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• Each member is reviewing the bills regarding older adults.</li> </ul> <p><b>Editorial Board:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Director's Report:</b> Lee Pullen, Area Agency on Aging Director reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He presented a proclamation given to Commissioner Bortel by the Transportation Authority of Marin for excellent service as the Chairperson of the Citizen's Oversight Committee.</li> <li>• He and Ana Bagtas will be attending an ASA conference in San Diego. He, Jon Gaffney and Ana are working on a joint senior transportation presentation.</li> <li>• He, Chair Dowling, and Ellie Bloch went to Capitol Day in Sacramento. They met with the State Director of Finance, Senator McGuire's Office and Assemblyman Levine's staff. This was a joint visit along with staff from Sonoma County.</li> <li>• He complimented Commissioner Bloch on her knowledge of every part of the Capitol and her skills as a tour guide.</li> <li>• Stated Requests for Proposals: III B Supportive Services and Title V Senior Community Service Employment Program will be released on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. The Senior Nutrition III C1-2 will be released in a few weeks with a bidder's conference to follow. Aging staff will be asking various commissioners to sit on the review panels. Applications for the first two proposals are due April 15, 2016. Review panels will be meeting in about two weeks after that time.</li> <li>• Amy Dietz provided the Area Plan update noting this is crunch time. The timeline is as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Goes to management the week of March 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>2. The Planning Committee will review from March 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>3. The draft plan will be posted at <a href="http://www.livelonglivewellmarin.org">www.livelonglivewellmarin.org</a> on March 24<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>4. The Public Hearing will be held on April 7, 2016.</li> <li>5. The Board of Supervisors will approve the plan at their meeting of Tuesday May 3, 2016.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to a question for more explanation of the Older Americans Act and the funding that is contracted to providers:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There has been no increase in Older Americans Act funding from the Federal Government.</li> <li>2. Additional advocacy at the State level is needed to bring back the Older Californians programs and funding.</li> <li>3. The link for the California Department of Aging is <a href="http://www.aging.ca.gov">www.aging.ca.gov</a></li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p><i>Commission Updates:</i></p> <p>Asimos (District 1); spoke of the work on the Village Steering Committee for area 94901.</p> <p>Bedinger (District 2); spoke about the new home care regulations.</p> <p>Boutilier (City of Sausalito); provided a report on the Triple A Council of CA (TACC) meeting. She will write a report and forward it to the commissioners as it has a lot of good information.</p> <p>Brilliant (City of Mill Valley); wrote to City of Mill Valley and is waiting for a date to speak with the new mayor and two new councilmen.</p> <p>Kemp (District 1); was on the radio last week and spoke regarding the Republican debate. She urged commissioners to use the microphone like a rock star because she, Commissioner Gertler and others can't hear a thing.</p> <p>Kirshbaum (City of Larkspur); Larry Meredith and the Mayor of Larkspur are trying to get a village started in the Twin Cities. It will be a slow process but are confident it can happen.</p> <p>Livoti (City of Novato); reported on the Novato Health Fair; about 100 people attended. Age-Friendly Novato is beginning. Commissioner Smith will speak before the Novato Park and Recreation Department.</p>	

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<p>Things are looking good and the support group is really appreciated.</p> <p>Marchese (District 4); Corte Madera is holding focus groups for age-friendly and learning a lot from the faith based communities. Time to answer the age old question of how the interfaith community can collaborate with government agencies.</p> <p>Monson (District 4); attended a Bolinas Whitecaps luncheon. The Editorial Board is reviewing the next Great Age. The Aging Action Initiative Committee on Information and Assistance is going strong.</p> <p>Timms (City of Fairfax); Lisa Brinkmann from Marin Villages spoke to Age-Friendly Fairfax recently. They are still working on their letter of intent.</p> <p>Turner (District 3); reported Marin City is working with the district to activate a Senior Services Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Wilson (City of Tiburon); stated that "I'm back and ready to do the packets!"</p> <p><b>Adjournment:</b> The meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.</p> <p>The next meeting will be on Thursday April 7, at San Rafael Community Center</p>	