

COMMITTEE: GENERAL	JUNE 7, 2018	LOCATION: SAN GERONIMO VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
<p>PRESENT: Asimos, Bedinger, Bloch, Bortel, Boutilier, Bradley, Brilliant, Dowling, Hagerty, Kwentus, Lamorte, Livoti, Locks, Marchese, McDonald, Saffran, Silverman, Timms, Turner</p> <p>EXCUSED: López, Monson, Zeller</p> <p>VACANCIES: District 5</p>		
<p>RECORDER: Michele McCabe</p>		
<p>NEXT MEETING: July 5, 2018 at Alma Via, San Rafael</p>		

MINUTE SUMMARY	ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY
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<p>Call to Order: Chair Locks called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.</p> <p>Approval of Agenda The agenda of June 7, 2018 was approved.</p> <p>Approval of the Minutes The minutes of April 5, 2018 were approved.</p> <p>Open Time for Public Expression:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elizabeth Murphy, Outreach Educator from CapTel captioned telephone service 	
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introduced herself and will be here after the meeting to answer any questions.

- Suzanne Sadowsky spoke about the great need for affordable housing in West Marin.
- Kim Thompson, Executive Director of Community Land Trust Association of West Marin (CLAM) introduced herself and thanked the Commission on Aging for their support and advocacy for the Coast Guard Housing project.
- Linda Jackson from the Aging Action Initiative invited people to talk to their town/City councils about accessible dwelling units.

Chair's Report: Chair Locks:

- Thanked all the Commissioners for their hard work "getting us seats at the table" this fiscal year. She also is grateful for all the active committee's and the increase of advocacy.
- Reported all cities and towns in Marin have been designated Age-Friendly or in the process of being designated.
- Reported the May Health Forum was a success. She is looking forward to next year.
- Announced Commissioner Brilliant is the new Chair of the Planning Committee.
- Was sad to report that York (District 5) and McDonald (District 2) are leaving the Commission on Aging. She then introduced Jean Gunn who will be replacing York.
- Reported the Senior Fair theme is *Connecting Community*. She also reported that Commissioner Bradley has agreed to help decorate the booth.

Vice-Chair Report: Vice-Chair Marchese reported on the continuing need for advocacy in the coming months.

Action Items:

Election of Officers for 2018-2019

- The slate of officers includes: Locks, Chair; Marchese, Vice-Chair; Bedinger, Secretary
- There were no nominations from the floor.
- The vote was unanimous and the 17-18 officers mentioned above are reelected for 2018-2019.

Senior Legislature Election

- Bloch and Bortel were the only applications for the Senior Assemblyperson and the Senior

Senator.

- The vote confirming and reelecting them to the term 2018-2022 was unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Health and Nutrition: Chair Asimos reported the following items:

- The next meeting will be held Monday July 23, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.
- Dr. Jei Africa, Director of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, and Chandrika Zager, Program Coordinator in Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, will speak at the July Commission meeting. They will present about what they see as the primary mental health needs of older adults and what the county is currently doing and is planning to do in the future to help address these needs given the growing older adult population in Marin.
- September's meeting is also sponsored by this committee. It will be held at the Marguerita Johnson Senior Center in Marin City. The topic is intergenerational issues and activities. Commissioners Turner and López are taking the lead on this meeting.

Housing and Transportation: Chair Marchese reported on the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday July 18, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.
- The focus will be the housing initiative and transportation ballot measures.

Legislative: Co-Chair Boutilier reported on the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Friday, July 27, 2018.
- The priority areas for committee advocacy are: accessibility, memory and cognition, economic security
- Letter re: MHSA and including older adults was discussed
- Bloch – AB 2994, regarding accessible toilets, has passed the Assembly and gone to the Senate.
- Boutilier – AB2132, waiving permit fees, passed Assembly and is now in the Senate
- Bloch & Locks had a letter to IJ published on 5/29. Here is the link <http://www.marinij.com/opinion/20180528/marin-ij-readers-forum-for-may-29-2018>

Planning: Chair Timms reported the following:

- The next meeting will be held on July 25, 2018.

- This is her last report as chair.
- The committee will be focusing on the Family Caregiver Needs Assessment which will inform the Family Caregiver Support Program RFP in January 2019.
- They will then focus on the Area Plan Needs Assessment for 2020-2024.

Editorial Board: N/A

Aging Action Initiative: Linda Jackson reported the following:

- The April convening in Tiburon went well.
- One of the AAI's main objectives is to educate the Marin community.
- Advocacy is vital especially in Sacramento.

Age-Friendly

- Dowling reported that Ross is getting it together to meet with town council July 12.
- Cynthia Seymour reported that Age-Friendly Marin has an advisory committee assembled. They will have their first meeting on June 12.
- Timms reported the cities and county meet every month before the Commission meeting.
- The second meeting of the month is strictly for brainstorming and always meets on the third Wednesday. The next meeting will be on June 20.

Director's Report: Lee Pullen, Area Agency on Aging Director, reported on the following items:

- Dan Steckline has been appointed as the new Long-Term Care Ombudsman Coordinator.
- The AAA will host the annual Provider meeting with all the contractors for 2018-19.
- June 15 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD). Sonoma, Napa and Marin have worked together to sponsor an Elder Justice Summit with a social justice perspective.

New Business: Turner reported on the situation in Marin City.

- The CSD is in the middle of a financial crisis.
- There is a new Board of Directors.
- There has been no audit since 2011.
- All projects are on hold.
- The manager was terminated and staff are only part time.

- Things will not settle down until later in the summer.
- The Marguerita Johnson Senior Center is open Monday-Thursday.

Commissioner Updates:

Bedinger (District 2); has two tickets available for an event on Sunday.

Bloch (CSL); This is her 15th year as a member of the California Senior Legislature. She thanked everyone who supported her.

Bortel (CSL) The Marin Senior Fair will be held on Wednesday October 24, 2018. The theme is *Connecting Community*. More information can be found at <https://marinseniorfair.org/>

Boutilier (City of Sausalito); Meritage put on a free program re: fall prevention, Outdoor senior exercise equipment has been installed at Martin Luther King park. Everyone is looking forward to the Fourth of July parade which has a Star Trek Theme *Live Long and Prosper*.

Bradley (City of Belvedere); Belvedere is working hard on disaster preparedness.

Brilliant (City of Mill Valley); Age-Friendly is getting their questionnaires out to the community. She will update the Commission with a Disaster Coalition report next time.

Hagerty (District 5); will debate Dick Spotswood on TV.

Livoti (City of Novato); There has been a lot of confusion around Episcopal Senior Communities changing their name to Covia Senior Communities. Transportation is now an option to the congregate meals at Margaret Todd.

Locks (City of San Rafael); There are an increasing number of transportation alternatives in Marin County for older adults.

Marchese (District 4); The Corte Madera Intergenerational center has opened as a pilot project For more information see <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/718/Age-Friendly-Intergenerational>

Timms (City of Fairfax); Last month's Fairfax Speaker Series focused on housing. This month will focus on volunteering.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Thursday July 5, 2018 at Alma Via in San Rafael.