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**CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA
PARKS & RECREATION
SENIOR ADVISORY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2009**

10 A Regular Meeting of the Senior Advisory Sub-Committee was held on Saturday, March 14,
11 2009 at the Deltona Community Center, 980 Lakeshore Drive, Deltona, Florida.

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14 **1. CALL TO ORDER:**

15 Eileen Gallagher, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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18 **2. ROLL CALL:**

19 Senior Sub-Committee Chairperson	Eileen Gallagher	Present
20 Senior Sub-Committee Vice Chairperson	Bernice Ludvick	Present
21 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Carl Bianchi	Present
22 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Zoe Clement	Present
23 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Bob Griffith	Present
24 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Elizabeth Griffith	Present
25 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Karoline Knezevich	Absent
26 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Jean Lade	Present
27 Senior Sub-Committee Member	John Pierce	Present
28 Senior Sub-Committee Member	Mary Micelli	Present

29 Also present: Steve Moore, Director for Parks and Recreation, Karl Grebosz, Facility
30 Coordinator and Marlene Brown, Administrative Assistant.

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33 **3. SILENT INVOCATION:**

34 The Chairperson asked for a moment of silent invocation.

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36 **4. a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

37 **Motion by John Pierce, seconded by Zoe Clement to accept the Minutes of February
38 14, 2009 as written. The motion was unanimously approved.**

39 **b. ADDITIONS OR DELETION TO AGENDA:**

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43 **5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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45 Announcements of up-coming events were handed out to the members and reviewed by
46 the Chair, Mrs. Gallagher. One announcement was the Volusia County Trail Meeting which was
47 scheduled for March 26, 2009 between the hours of 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Deltona Community
48 Center. Mr. Moore explained that the City is hosting this meeting as we are a part of the overall
49 picture. He explained that the City also wants to share information with the county as well as

1 having a trail head at the Thornby property. He told the members that the City is doing a trail
2 master plan as part of their grant application.

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4 **6. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

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6 There were no comments from Ms. McNaney.

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8 The Chairperson took a moment to recognize the arrival of Commissioner Treusch and to
9 thank him for coming.

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11 **7. OLD BUSINESS:**

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13 **a. Community Garden Project Update:**

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15 Mr. Al Manassa addressed the group and told them that he had gone through the plant list
16 he had been given and said he had found that the most inexpensive nursery to buy from was
17 Pell's. He said for the distance to other nurseries as well as the cost of gas, it was more cost
18 effective to buy from Pell's. He said the layout for the garden will bring a lot of color to the site
19 and said they could make the flowering beds the "annuals" bed. He said the project will be labor
20 intense but will be a very nice addition to the Community Center.

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22 Mr. Moore told the members that his crew had been at the Community Center every day
23 cleaning it up. He said they would start doing the flower beds by the gazebo so that they could
24 get things moving. He explained that the sprinklers that are already in place will be tested before
25 new ones are added.

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27 Mr. Pierce stated that the Pine Ridge High School teacher would have the entire class
28 available for the garden project. Mr. Pierce will contact her regarding availability.

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30 Mr. Manassa told the members that the garden will look quite nice when it is finished but
31 that it will fail if there is no follow-up in terms of people tending the garden.

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33 Mr. Moore said he will get the vermicide and the potting soil and asked Mr. Manassa if
34 he would place the plants in position so that the kids can just go in and plant them. Mr. Moore
35 said that red cedar mulch will be delivered to the site. He said he and Mr. Manassa would
36 coordinate and call Pell's regarding the availability of the plants.

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38 Mr. Moore mentioned that Pell's would be helping the Parks and Recreation Department
39 with Arbor Day on April 24th and Mr. Manassa suggested that maybe Pell's could donate some
40 plants to the Community Garden Project.

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42 Mr. Manassa said that the Beautification Advisory Board, of which he is a part, would be
43 at the Arbor Day celebration. He added that the bat house person would also be there and that
44 they were looking at putting a bat house at the boat ramp.

1 Commissioner Paul Treusch commented that the beautification is good but said it does
2 not have to start and end with the Community Center. He said it needs to be done at all the City
3 buildings. Mr. Moore added that it would continue with the fire stations.

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5 **b. Adult Dance Feedback:**
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7 The members stated that everyone had a wonderful time at the dance and said that the
8 band was great. They heard comments from some of the attendees that they would like to see
9 the dances happen more often.

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11 Mr. Grebosz commented that if we keep having only ballroom dances then people are
12 going to start complaining. He said ballroom style dancing would be the main focus but that it
13 should be switched up to include another type of dancing each year. The next date is set for
14 Saturday, May 16, 2009 with a "Spring Fling" theme but there is no band lined up as yet. The
15 dance in August will be a "Back to School" theme.

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17 There was discussion on the price of the tickets to off-set the cost of the band and other
18 expenses as the last dance had a loss of \$290.57. Although not finalized, it was suggested that
19 advance tickets be sold at \$4.00 and at the door for \$5.00. It was also discussed about selling the
20 tickets for \$6.00.

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22 **c. Committee Goals and Objectives:**
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24 It was decided that this would be done as a workshop on a different date. After much
25 discussion it was decided to have the workshop on Monday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.
26 The members decided to make the March 30th meeting their regular meeting and not have a
27 meeting for the month of April.

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29 **8. NEW BUSINESS:**
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31 **a. Change of Venue and Time for Senior Advisory Meetings:**
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33 There was discussion about changing the meeting dates to the 1st or 2nd Wednesday of
34 each month either at 5:30 or 6:00 p.m. Because the March meeting would also be their regular
35 meeting, the next meeting would be in May. It was decided that the meetings would be the 2nd
36 Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the first floor kitchen.

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38 **9. DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**
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40 Mr. Moore said he was excited about the direction in which the committee was heading
41 and he was happy that Mr. Bianchi and Mr. Pierce were getting out and getting involved in the
42 community regarding the benches and the buy-a-brick programs. He said that he wants to bring
43 in additional revenue and he knows how this board feels about the general fund. He said he is
44 looking forward to working with Mr. Manassa on the garden project.

1 Mr. Moore explained to the board that this is the Parks and Recreation Department's busy
2 time of the year with events taking place every weekend, which was one reason why it was
3 preferable to have the monthly meetings during the week.
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5 **10. COMMISSIONER/COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**
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7 Commissioner Paul Treusch said the commissioners would like to show up for other
8 meetings as well but it was not always possible. He said not because they don't come to these
9 meetings, it does not mean that the board members are not appreciated.
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11 Mrs. Micelli thanked Mr. Moore for helping with the bingo they have planned for the
12 Council on Aging.
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14 Miss Lade was happy that the work in progress was proceeding.
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16 Mr. Pierce said the committee is doing a good job and he appreciated the efforts of Mr.
17 Moore and Mr. Manassa on the garden project. He said he hoped it would be the same for other
18 projects.
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20 Ms. Clement thanked Mr. Pierce and Mr. Bianchi for their work on the garden project.
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22 Mrs. Griffith said she appreciated everyone's efforts.
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24 Mrs. Ludvick said it was good to see progress.
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26 **Staff Comments:**
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28 Mr. Grebosz said the dance was great and that they were moving in the right direction.
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30 Mrs. Brown told the members that the Youth Advisory bench was ordered and would be
31 placed at the Dewey Boster Sports Complex. She also followed up on Commissioner Treusch's
32 comment about the board members being appreciated, by letting them know that the City would
33 be holding its annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on April 25th and that the invitations
34 would be sent out shortly.
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36 **11. NEXT MEETING DATE:**
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38 Monday, March 30, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 1st Floor Kitchen.
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40 **12. ADJOURNMENT:**
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42 There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.
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44 **Motion by Bob Griffith, seconded by Zoe Clement to adjourn. The motion was**
45 **unanimously approved.**
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1 Approved this _____ day of March, 2009.

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Eileen Gallagher, Chairperson

6 ATTEST:

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10 Steve Moore

11 Director, Parks and Recreation

12 Senior Advisory Sub Committee

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