

**MINUTES**  
**SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**February 8, 2007**

**Members Present**

Jane Ketcham                      Annette Vineyard  
Helen Gunn                        Bill Gibson  
Sonja Hammar                    Kevin Yarrow

**Members Not Present**

Tracey Dry  
Frida Alperovich

**Parks and Recreation Staff Present**

Colette Hall, Diann Hand

The meeting was called to order by Jane Ketcham, at approximately 6:35 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Sue Barron has resigned from the Board.

**1. Welcome new Board member**

Kevin Yarrow was introduced as the newest Board member.

**2. Senior Transportation Update**

Colette is on a committee with other City staff to research and recommend alternate transportation plans. She passed out an overview of the Senior Trans program which included two options that are being investigated. One is to eliminate the second van on Monday, Wednesday and Friday which would save \$40,000 annually and reduce the per trip cost from \$44 to \$28. The other option being investigated is to offer CCART a base payment of \$35,000 then pay \$10 per trip.

Other alternates being considered is allowing seniors to purchase \$50 worth of vouchers for \$10 and find their own driver as well as looking at a volunteer program. A survey was sent to local faith-based groups, but, there was no interest shown for participation.

Colette passed out information on Dart's Paratransit program. There are 453 certified riders in Plano. Plano residents took a total of 28,064 rides in 2006 which is 2,339 rides per month.

Sonja passed out a December 2006 calendar showing that 21 riders used Senior Trans for a total of 120 trips. The cost of the service for December 2006 was \$8,550.56 which comes out to \$71.25 per one way trip.

**3. Discuss and prioritize 2007 Board projects**

Nothing discussed other than transportation.

**4. Discuss Senior Citizens business discount list**

Sonja has started working on this project. Frida told Colette she had called some grocery stores and found that Kroger offers an additional discount for seniors with their "Plus Card". Sonja passed out a list of some doctors who accept Medicare patients.

**5 Approval of Minutes**

The Board approved the minutes from the January 4, 2007 meeting.

**6. Change of meeting time**

The Board voted to change the meeting time from 6:30 to 5:00pm.

**7. Items for future agendas**

The Board asked Kevin to present information on Hospice care programs at a later date since this is his line of work.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:12pm.

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**Chairperson**

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**Date**