

Minutes – Regular Meeting
DISABILITY ACCESS COMMISSION
Wednesday July 26, 2017
Oak Park Main Library, Oak Park Illinois

Roll Call and Call to Order

Present: Amy O'Rourke, Stephanie Browning, Jen Kovar, Kathleen Yannis
Staff Liaison: Steve Cutaia
Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. and a quorum was declared.

Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved with a few corrections

Minutes

The previous month's minutes were tabled for voting due to a lack of attended quorum from that meeting

Ongoing Business

- Staff liaison Cutaia had mentioned that all complaints for Village property should be submitted to the Village Web Page, while private property complaints should be forwarded to the State of Illinois Attorney General's Office
- The Commissioner discussed alternative locations to meet to attract a larger audience
- The Commission discussed the Day in the Village Event. The commission as a whole did not feel that it was a venue they wanted to attend in the future. They felt that this particular venue was not a good situation to spread the objective of the commission. They discussed that attending the farmer's market and other events such as that.
- Commissioner O'Rourke discussed the Day in the Village of Oak Park
 1. She stated that there were three submittals for the award. Liaison Cutaia did not find any completed forms and will check with manager Clark-William.
 2. She also Questionnaire
- Commissioner Stephanie inquired about the street lighting report that commissioner Alap had offered. Commissioner Alap was not present.
- Chairman Scott was not present to discuss the Frank Lloyd Wright Race.
- The commission briefly mentioned the Disability Awareness Month and the Disability Pride Parade.
- Commissioner Stephanie is still working on a Diversity Dinner. Amy is to assist.
- Liaison Cutaia did drop off the application and handouts at the Oak Park Chamber.
- Commissioner O'Rourke questioned construction sites that close sidewalks. She inquired how their voices can be heard during the construction planning process. Liaison Cutaia shall respond at the next meeting

Non Agenda Public Comments

- A Vanessa Matheny (manager) attended the meeting to discuss the Mental Health Board. She explained that she would like more exposure in the next publication. He mentioned that the board is funded by 1.6 million from taxes, serving about 5,900, funds about 23 non-for-profit agencies or 55 programs. Commissioner Kathleen will meet separately with her to discuss the next publication.

New business

- Commissioner Stephanie will draft a handout card and forward to Liaison Cutaia.
- Liaison Cutaia dropped off about 100 handouts at the Oak Park Township office.

- Liaison Cutaia forwarded a proposed RTA Seminar. The commission agreed to sponsor it at the September meeting. Liaison Cutaia e-mail the RTA representative to confirm.

Next Meeting Location and Date

The next meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2017

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:15P.M.