

Ann Arbor Commission on Disability Issues
June 19, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Linda Evans, Larry Keeler, Gloria Kolb, Sally Petersen, Re Steinman, Lloyd Shelton

Commissioners Excused: None

Commissioners Unexcused: Monica Cox, Barbara Bergman

Sign Language Interpreter: Tracey Romanow

CTN Operator: Robert Hughes

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Evans called the meeting to order at 3:18 p.m. The Commissioners individually introduced themselves.

II. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Keeler motioned, seconded by Commissioner Steinman, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carries.

III. Presentations

- a. Ira Lax from the Ann Arbor Public Library announced upcoming events and programs at the library, as well as the Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled. Contact aadl.org or call 327-4000 for a list of current programs. 327-4224 to reach Library for the Blind.

IV. Public Comments – None

V. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes

Commissioner Keeler motioned, seconded by Commissioner Petersen to approve the May 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor. Motion carries.

VI. Old Business

- a. City Personnel Report – None

b. Chair Report

1. Chairperson Evans informed the Commission that no meetings would be held in the July and August months.
2. Chairperson Evans announced the resignation of Patti Smith and indicated two other Commissioners would be resigning as well.
3. Chairperson Evans announced the two new Commission members, Re Steinman and Lloyd Shelton.
4. Chairperson Evans explained the new ADA complaint procedure. For more information contact the City Clerk or the City website.

c. Recruiting Committee

1. Commissioner Kolb announced the new Commissioners, Re Steinman and Lloyd Shelton. She also spoke about recruiting efforts for the Commission. Those interested may reach out to Commissioner Kolb at (973) 800-3140, the City Liaison, Amy Seavitt at (734) 794-6122, or call the Mayor's Office at (734) 794-6161 for an application.

d. Hollywood Committee

1. Sensory Garden

- a. Chairperson Evans gave an update on the sensory garden and how the flowers are beginning to bloom. She also discussed the dedication plaque for Pamela Baker-Trostle.
- b. Chairperson Evans motioned to move forward with the article for the Disabilities Resource website. Commissioner Kolb seconded. All in favor. Discussion ensued.
- c. Chairperson Evans motioned to move for one plaque to display. Commissioner Shelton seconded. All in favor.
- d. Chairperson Evans motioned to move with distributing the donation thank you letters after review. Commissioner Shelton seconded. All in favor.
- e. Commissioner Petersen motioned to include a link to the Disabilities Resource website with the donors for the garden. Commissioner Steinman seconded. All in favor.

e. Partners in Access Committee

1. Commissioners Kolb discussed the need for a sidewalk at Federal and Stadium Street.

f. Ad Hoc Committee

1. Chairperson Evans announced the need for new members for the committee, as well as a new chair. Chairperson Evans will serve as the Chair of the Committee. Commissioner Petersen will forward contact information to Chairperson Evans about a member of the U of M Council for Disabilities Concerns who may be interested in joining the Committee.

VII. New Business – None

VIII. Announcements

- a. Chairperson Evans announced the free autoimmune workshop being held by the University of Michigan. Commissioner Petersen read through the program.
- b. Chairperson Evans discussed NASA employment opportunities. Contact Alexander Kazerooni for more information at kazerooni_alex@yahoo.com.

IX. Adjournment – Chairperson Evans adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

Submitted by: Amy Seavitt, HR Coordinator