



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
Health & Human Services Conference Room, 33 S. AH Rd, 60005

August 15, 2023
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. May 9th, 2023 Minutes

IV. REPORTS

- A. Commission Vacancies

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Disability Day
- B. Disability Employment Awareness Award
- C. Transportation Summit

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Pedestrian Traffic Signals

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
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Item: Minutes

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES
May 9th, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Arlington Heights Commission for Citizens with Disabilities was called to order by Chairman Ramsey at 7:04 PM in the Buechner Room at Village Hall.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Michelle Ramsey, Chairman
Roxanne Calibraro
Seth Goldberg
David McCallum
Brian Harrison

Also present: Nicole Espinoza, Social Services Coordinator, Liaison
Erin Mercado, Social Worker – Disability & Geriatric Services, Liaison

Absent: Eva Mullinax
Sheryl Letwat

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Goldberg to approve the minutes of the April 2023 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner McCallum and approved by unanimous consent. Chairman Ramsey abstained.

IV. REPORTS

A. RESIGNATIONS

Liaison Espinoza reported the formal resignation of Commissioner McMahon and Commissioner McCarty.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS DONATION

Liaison Espinoza informed The Commission that \$800 has been donated from the Knights of Columbus.

B. DISABILITY DAY DONATION

Commissioner Goldberg made a motion to provide a donation of \$1,000 to Disability Days. Commissioner Harrison seconded. A vote was held and the motion was approved unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. MEETING FREQUENCY

Commissioner Goldberg discussed the most preferable meeting times and frequency. Commissioner Calibraro made a motion to move meetings from monthly to bi-monthly. Commissioner Harrison seconded. A vote was held and the motion was approved unanimously. Liaison Espinoza reviewed the meeting options. Commissioner McCallum inquired about keeping communication in between meeting should a new topic request arise. Commissioner Calibraro reminded The Commission that a meeting can be cancelled if the decision is made through the appropriate chain of command. Commissioner Goldberg made a motion for The Commission to change meeting time from 7:00 PM to 9:00PM to 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Commissioner McCallum seconded and approved by unanimous consent. Thus, the next Commission meeting will be July 11th, 2023 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. ADVISORY TOPICS

Commissioner Goldberg opened a discussion on the Transportation Summit Event. Liaison Espinoza informed the Commission that Tracey Colagrossi Liaison to the Senior Commission would be the contact person for the Transportation Summit. Liaison Espinoza informed that Tracey is looking for two Commissioners to attend meetings to plan the Transportation Summit. Commissioner Goldberg stated he would like to know the time commitment for this project and dates of meetings. Liaison Mercado and Liaison Espinoza stated they would follow up with the Senior Commissions' Liaison, Tracey Colagrossi.

B. DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS AWARD

Chairman Ramsey suggested listing what the Commission's responsibilities are for The Disability Employment Awareness Award. Chairman Ramsey stated the Employment Award application will need to be updated form and making it available to all of the community. Commissioner Calibraro stated paper and online options should be available. Liaison Espinoza reported she will review and update the application and social media posts. The application will be available on the Village website. The social media posts will be posted on all Village social media platforms. Commissioner Goldberg reminded the Commission that the application deadline is August 31st and that the Commission selects a award winner in September. Chairman Ramsey requested feedback on whether the Commission was interested in changing the name of the award or creating an acronym. It was unanimously agreed to not change the name of the award.

C. DISABILITY DAY

Commissioner Goldberg confirmed the day of the event is Saturday, July 1st, 2023. Commissioner Goldberg stated the Commission arrival time is 9:00 a.m. at Rec Park near the pool entrance. The check-in is from 9:30-11:00 a.m. The Carnival is from 10:00-11:15 a.m. and the luncheon is from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Liaison Espinoza passed a sign-up sheet around for Commissioners to confirm

participation. Chairman Ramsey stated prior to the event the cameras, film, batteries and stickers would need to be prepared. Commissioner Goldberg recommended the Commission banner be hung at the event. The banner is with the 4th of July items that former Commissioner McCarty has. Liaison Mercado will contact former Commissioner McCarty to arrange to get the 4th of July items.

D. WEBSITE

Liaison Espinoza requested the Commission review the new Village website, particularly the Social Services Division's section. Liaison Espinoza relayed recent updates, including several functions to improve accessibility for individuals with disabilities.

E. GERRI'S CAFE

Commissioner Goldberg announced a new business will be opening in July of 2023, called Gerri's Café. Commissioner Goldberg reported the business is accepting applications and is focused on hiring individuals with disabilities.

F. ABILITY EXPO

Commissioner Goldberg informed the Commission of an upcoming Ability Expo, taking place June 24rd -June 25th, in Schaumburg.

G. THE METROPOLIS

Commissioner Goldberg reported The Metropolis in Arlington Heights has recently begun to offer sign interpretation for an upcoming performance.

H. ARLINGTON ALFRESCO ACCESSIBILITY

Commissioner McCallum expressed concerns as to whether Arlington Alfresco is accessible. Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Goldberg, and Commissioner Calibraro all stated Arlington Alfresco is accessible and shared where patrons can be dropped off to access restaurants.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Calibraro, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, and approved by unanimous consent. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.



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