



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
Buechner Room, 1st Floor

Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
August 12, 2014
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from the 06/10/14 meeting.

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Building Code
- B. Disability Employment Campaign
- C. Frontier Days
- D. Disability Employment Award
- E. Randy Lewis (Walgreen's Presentation)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES

June 10, 2014

- I. Call to order - Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

Seth Goldberg, Chairman
Corey Axelrod
Roxanne Calibraro
Ryan Danzinger
Marc Klein
Jackie McCarty
Eva Mullinax

Commissioners Absent:

Peg McMahon
Jim Ludwig

Also Present:

David Robb, Board Liaison
Stacy Shein Stapleton, Sign Language Interpreter
Rick Riedl, Resident

- IV. Approval of Minutes of May 13, 2014 Meeting

Chairman Goldberg asked if there were any changes, corrections, or revisions to the minutes of May 13, 2014. Commissioner Danzinger moved that the minutes be approved as written, Commissioner Calibraro seconded.

The Minutes were approved as written by unanimous vote.

- V. Communications

- A. Connections Newsletter

Coordinator Robb reported that he had received Connections articles from Commissioners Danzinger, Calibraro and Klein. He began working on the draft and stated that it should be ready by Friday for approval and then, once approved, would be sent out.

- B. Conference/Webinar Update

1. Commissioner Klein attended a meeting of the North/Northwest Work Group where there was a live update from the legislature in Springfield. It was stated that it was believed that the budget with the tax increase included would pass. This was totally wrong. They are now going with a lower budget and the income tax will revert to 3.75% at least until after the gubernatorial election. This may be revisited in January after the elected Governor takes office.
2. Coordinator Robb reported that Arlington Heights has a new nonprofit called Arlington Cares. They raise funds to help needy residents in Arlington Heights. The funds raised are primarily disbursed to the Village's Human Services Coordinator Carol Jancik who handles emergency financial assistance for needy residents in Arlington Heights. They are having a fund-raiser on Friday, June 20th at Cooper's Hawk from 6:30-9:30 PM.
3. He also reported on a new program called the Senior Handyman Program through the Northwest Suburban Housing Collaborative. It was created to serve seniors 65 and over with help with minor home repairs. It is available to residents in Arlington Heights, Buffalo Grove, Mount Prospect, Palatine and Rolling Meadows. Rates are on a sliding scale from \$10-30.00 per hour depending on total household income.

VI. Reports

A. Disability Services Update

1. Coordinator Robb reported that he was asked by Arlington Downs apartments how many units had to be accessible. He had to advise them that, per Village Code and per State and Federal law, none. He said that in both Federal and State law that when a transient use building (hotel) goes to a residential building, there is no requirement for accessible units. However, had the Village adopted the "Accessibility Chapter" of the 2009 International Building Code, all 214 units would have had to have been designed as accessible units. He however, encourage them to do so as it made sense.
2. He reported he attended more emergency preparedness training. He is taking these courses primarily for his involvement with the Medical Reserve Corps. He took intermediate classes for a medical reserve corps supervisory position and earned the required certificates. He also attended the MRC Region 5 Conference on May 6-7th in Bloomington, IL. The theme this year was for the Medical Reserve Corps to be supportive of first responders both during and after response to disasters.
3. Coordinator Robb reported that he had also been working on preparations for the Commission's Frontier Days activities and putting the draft of Connections together.
4. Commissioner Danzinger noted that he had seen crews installing new countdown crossing signals around town and wondered if they were

being installed everywhere. Coordinator Robb said that he had noticed them too but had no further information.

B. Disability Law Update

1. Commissioner Calibraro reported that the Department of Justice and the Law School Admission Council have reached a major consent decree. LSAC shall pay \$7.73 million which will cover damages and penalties for 600 complainants over the last 5 years based on allegations of discrimination under the ADA. This usually involved people who asked for an accommodation for taking the LSAC admission test. They were flagging people who required additional time because of a disability. They are required to adopt new procedures to allow for accommodations.
2. There are two important anniversaries coming up June 20th is the 15th anniversary of the Olmstead decision and July 26th will be the 24th anniversary of the ADA..

VII. Old Business

A. Disability Employment Campaign

Commissioner Danzinger reported that he had spoken to Jim Platt since our last meeting and told him that we discussed the timeline for sending out the top 10 reasons for hiring a person with a disability through Chamber of Commerce e-mails. He shared the timeline and the idea for having a presentation on the day of the Disability Employment Award presentation. Jim Platt liked the idea and also talked about the library and their resources for helping people find employment. Commissioner Danzinger thought this information could be included in the presentation. It would be prior to the presentation of the award similar to the reception usually held but opened up to Chamber members to promote employment of people with disabilities. Jim said that right now their October calendar is open. Commissioner Danzinger will inform him of whether it is the first or third Monday when we know. Jim will discuss this at his next Chamber meeting.

B. Salute Race

Chairman Goldberg reported that Salute held their 5K adaptive division race with 5 participants. This was an increase of 4 from the previous year so it is a work in progress. He will be partnering with them to try to promote it to have more participants next year. They asked Chairman Goldberg to convey their thanks to the Commission for their sponsorship of the medals this year.

C. Frontier Days

1. Parade – Commissioner McCarty reported that they were still deciding whether there will be a float or not. She is going to try to obtain permission and materials from Lekotek, an adaptive toy library for children with disabilities, but if that does not work out there will not be a float. Regardless, the Commission will be marching and those participating should arrive at the staging area at 9:30 AM. The parade steps off promptly at 10:00. We will be distributing candy as well. She will e-mail the Commission's placement number in the parade as soon as received and will purchase the candy for distribution. Commissioners McCarty, Mullinax, McMahon, and Chairman Goldberg will be participating in the parade. Coordinator Robb will join us at the accessible seating area.
2. Citizens with Disabilities Day – July 5th, Saturday with registration beginning at 9:30 AM and pre-registration is required. Rides open at 10:00-11:15 AM. Disabled riders are allowed one companion. Lunch will be from 11:00 AM-12:00 Noon and entertainment is from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. The Commission will again be taking pictures of the families. Commissioner McCarty ordered the film. Commissioners should arrive at 9:00 AM around the registration booth. Commissioners McCarty, McMahon, Klein and Mullinax and Coordinator Robb will be taking pictures.
3. There will be wheelchair bocci ball on Sunday, July 6th from 1:00-4:00 M. Chairman Goldberg is coordinating this event with NWSRA.
4. Commissioner Danzinger asked that the Commission spread the word that there will be an accessible shuttle bus this year. It will operate on the South route and can accommodate two wheelchairs at a time. The bus runs approximately every 15-20 minutes.
5. Commissioner Axelrod asked if there were any interpreters requested for Frontier Days. Commissioner Danzinger noted that there were interpreters available for the Citizens with Disabilities Day. Commissioner Axelrod suggested that they give hearing impaired citizens the option of registering and requesting one for events such as the concerts. Commissioner Danzinger said that because of the late date they might not be able to make it happen this year but would look into it for next year.
6. The main stage will have an accessible seating area which will be marshalled by Chairman Goldberg.
7. He also noted that the festival brochure had been updated to read "persons with disabilities".

VIII. New Business

A. Randy Lewis Walgreens Presentation

The Commission discussed a Walgreens video depicting a distribution center in South Carolina which employs people with disabilities. Chairman

Goldberg would like to try to get Randy Lewis, a Vice President for Walgreens, to come and give a presentation in Arlington Heights. He has a son with autism and so has a personal interest in encouraging companies to hire people with disabilities. We could possibly partner with the Chamber to include businesses in the area. Coordinator Robb suggested it be done during Disability Awareness Month and the Commission host him presenting to the Chamber. Commissioner McCarty suggested that we try to get him as a keynote speaker at a Chamber meeting to ensure that he has a captive audience that would make it worth his time and effort. Commissioner Axelrod said he has some business connections at Walgreens and could approach them. Commissioner Mullinax suggested that we have a plan before we contact anyone. The Commissioners concurred. Commissioner Danzinger will discuss with Jim Platt at the Chamber and see what he suggests.

IX. Miscellaneous

- A. Commissioner Danzinger suggested that we start thinking about what we would like to cover in this year's video. He will bring the list of topics discussed previously to the next meeting.
- B. Coordinator Robb informed the Commission that Agendas and Minutes have a new format and would no longer be mailed. They will be available online on the Village website for printing.
- C. Coordinator Robb told the Commission that Mr. Dixon had given him a book that was written and signed by Jim Brady who was Ronald Reagan's Press Secretary and was shot in an assassination attempt. It was presented to him when Arlington Heights received a first place Community Partnership Award from the National Organization on Disability.

X. Adjournment

Commissioner Danzinger moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Commissioner McCarty seconded, all voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32PM.