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
May 12, 2015
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes - 3/10/15

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. ICC Presentation/Building Code
B. 4th of July Parade
C. Citizens with Disabilities Day/Frontier Days
D. Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Treaty
E. Disability Employment Campaign
F. Salute Sponsorship - Adaptive Race

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services, such as an American Sign Language interpreter or written materials in accessible formats, should contact David Robb, Disability Services Coordinator, at 33 S. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005, (847)368-5793 (Voice), (847)368-5980 (Fax) or drobb@vah.com.

Item: Minutes - 3/10/15

Department: Health Services

ATTACHMENTS:

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

March 10, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Arlington Heights Commission for Citizens with Disabilities was called to order by Chair Goldberg at 7:05pm in the Buechner Room at Village Hall.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:
Seth Goldberg, Chairman
Roxanne Calibraro
Ryan Danzinger
Marc Klein
Jackie McCarty
Peg McMahon
Eva Mullinax (arr. 7:25pm)

Absent:
Corey Axelrod
Jim Ludwig

Also Present:
David Robb, Disability Services Coordinator
Stacy Shein-Stapleton, Sign Language Interpreter

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Calibraro to approve the February 10, 2015 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Danzinger. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

A. DISABILITY SERVICES UPDATE

1. A former Commissioner inquired whether the Village had a program to distribute and install free smoke detectors to seniors. Coordinator Robb confirmed that the Fire Department handles this on a monthly basis and a smoke detector was installed at her home. The smoke detectors supplied and installed for seniors by the Village are sealed units with 10-year batteries that never need to be replaced. It is recommended that smoke detectors be replaced every 7 years. He also helped the former commissioner update her Emergency Information Packet and 9-1-1 Registration Program information. The 9-1-1 Registration Program is meant to alert emergency responders to the presence of residents with disabilities at the address.

2. Coordinator Robb also responded to a complaint about the lack of on-street accessible parking in the downtown area. The Coordinator supplied the complainant information on the location of accessible parking spaces within a block of the restaurants identified in the person's compliant.

3. Technical assistance was provided to an Arlington Heights Park District employee who inquired about the Park District offering to purchase a Service Dog vest for a park patron. Park patrons were harassing a woman who claimed her dog was a service dog with her in the park where there's a "No Dog" policy. The Coordinator advised the Park District that accredited service dog training agencies issue their own service dog vests upon graduation. Also that "service dog fraud" is rampant because anyone can purchase a vest and put it on their dog to get around "No Pet" restrictions. Also when fraudulent animals with service dog vests misbehave in public it gives legitimate service animals a bad name and causes mistrust by the public.

4. The Coordinator also participated in a focus group at the Arlington Heights Memorial Library along with Commissioner Calibraro and former Commissioner Teri Saurmann. The library sought suggestions on how to better serve residents underserved living south of Central Road and north of Palatine Road.

B. DISABILITY LAW UPDATE

Commissioner Calibraro reported that the Department of Justice (DOJ) has instituted online complaint filing. Complaints can now be filed online at: www.ada.gov/complaint/. A Reference Number is issued for each complaint which can be used to track the complaint in process. Beginning March 15th DOJ will no longer accept e-mailed complaints.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT CAMPAIGN

Commissioner Danzinger reported that he had not reached Jim Platt of the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce regarding scheduling the Disability Employment presentation. He will report back at the next meeting.

B. BUILDING CODE

No report.

C. CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TREATY

Commissioner Danzinger wrote a sample resolution for the Commission to review before presenting to the Board of Trustees for their consideration. Commissioners would like to take more time to review the resolution and get more information on the treaty.

D. DISABILITIES DAY SPONSORSHIP AT FRONTIER DAYS

After discussion, **a motion was made by Commissioner McCarty to approve sponsorship of Disability Days at the Frontier Days Festival in the amount of $1,000, seconded by Commissioner Calibraro. Motion passed by unanimous consent.**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. SALUTE SPONSORSHIP – ADAPTIVE RACE

Chairman Goldberg reported that he had been approached by Salute, Inc. asking the Commission to sponsor the purchase of another 50 medals for the Adaptive Race this year. The Commission asked Chairman Goldberg to get more information on what happened with the balance of the medals purchased last year and/or whether there is another need for the adaptive race that we could help sponsor.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. ICC PRESENTATION

A registration form for the "Accessible and Visitable Housing" presentation was included in the latest edition of the *Connections Newsletter* that was mailed on March 9th. John Gonzalez is replacing Kim Paarlberg of the International Code Council (ICC) as the presenter. Coordinator Robb will forward commissioners his bio and information to be discussed. This will be posted on the Village web site. The presentation is being held on Wednesday April 15th in the Council Room in lieu of the Commission's regular meeting.

B. Commissioner McCarty reported that she had received the application for the 4th of July Independence Day Parade and that she and her husband would build a float this year.

C. Commissioner Klein reported that he had spoken to his lawyer about the "Able Act" which allows people with disabilities to have tax free savings accounts. He was advised that although it is a Federal law, it has to be approved by each State individually and Illinois had not yet approved it.

D. Coordinator Robb reported that the Knights of Columbus had presented the Commission with $340.18. Commissioner McMahon attended the meeting to receive the check.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Danzinger and seconded by Commissioner Calibraro. Motion passed by unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm.