



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
Buechner Room-33 S. Arlington Hts. Rd., AH

May 10, 2022
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from April 12, 2022

IV. REPORTS

- A. Social Services Update

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Disabilities Carnival/Parade
- B. Disabilities Employment Award
- C. Presentations

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
5/10/2022

Item: Minutes from April 12, 2022

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes from April 12, 2022	Minutes

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

April 12, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Arlington Heights Commission for Citizens with Disabilities was called to order by acting Chairman Ramsey at 7:08 pm in the Buechner Room at Village Hall.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Michele Ramsey, Chairman
Roxanne Calibraro
Seth Goldberg
Brian Harrison
Jackie McCarty
Peg McMahon
Eva Mullinax

Absent:

Sheryl Letwat
David McCallum

Also Present:

Nicole Espinosa, Social Services Coordinator
Stacy Shein-Stapleton, ASL Interpreter
Tracey Colagrossi, Senior Center Manager

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Calibraro to approve the February 8, 2022 minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

A. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

1. Coordinator Espinoza announced that there would be a blood drive at Village Hall on Wednesday, May 4th in the Buechner Room from 8 am to 2 pm.
2. She also reported that the Disability Services Coordinator position has been posted for almost two weeks. The new title for the position will be Disability and Senior Social Worker. In addition to what the Disability Service Coordinator did, clinical services to the Village's senior population will be enhanced. Tracey Colagrossi, Senior Center Manager will elaborate on how we will collaborate with the Senior Commission. She also noted that Commissioner Calibraro had suggested an ADA legal training for the person who is hired and that the training would be arranged once someone is hired. Chairman Ramsey also noted that she had submitted suggestions from the Commission to James McCalister, Director of the Health Department.

- B.** Tracey Colagrossi elaborated on some of the issues that we could collaborate on with the Senior Commission and suggested that our commissions meet to establish how we could work together.

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **DISABILITY AWARENESS PRESENTATION**

The Commission discussed hosting another presentation by jj's List similar to the one held on March 2nd in the fall. Commissioners thought the material presented by jj's List was informative and very good, but felt that the time slot was not ideal. Coordinator Espinoza noted that she had suggested that a training by jj's List be held for Village Staff in October and asked if that was something we might be able to collaborate on. Chairman Ramsey suggested that we collaborate on this training and possibly do something else as well.

The Commission discussed hosting Brian Rubin to talk about estate planning and other information important for parents of children with disabilities in the fall. Commissioner Calibraro gave Brian's contact information to Nicole Espinoza so that she could reach out to Brian for his availability in October. The presentation would be held in lieu of the October meeting.

C. **CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER**

Chairman Ramsey reported that David's parting wish was to discontinue publishing the Connections Newsletter. He noted that the mailing list had dwindled to 40 and the readership was very low. He thought the effort required for publication exceeded the benefit it provides. The Commission discussed researching other ways to get information out about Frontier Days and other events other than Connections newsletter. Commissioner Goldberg asked whether other Commissions in other Villages have their own Facebook pages. He asked if this was a possibility. Coordinator Espinoza noted that the Village had a new Communications Coordinator and said that she could get information posted online for us. The Commission discussed discontinuing publication of the newsletter. Commissioner Calibraro noted that the Village website is not easy to find information on and was not accessible. Coordinator Espinoza noted that the website was being redesigned. Chairman Ramsey suggested doing flyers or postcards for special events.

A motion was made by Commissioner McCarty to discontinue publication of the Connections Newsletter and to send out flyers and/or postcards to publicize or announce our events, seconded by Commissioner Goldberg. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

C. **FESTIVAL – DISABILITY CARNIVAL AND PARADE**

Commissioner Goldberg reported that the Disability Carnival would be held on Saturday, July 2nd and the parade would be on Monday, July 4th. Commissioner McCarty reported that she had sent in the application for the parade and ordered and received 2,000 flags for distribution. She also ordered the polaroid film (about 240 pictures) for the Disability Carnival. Coordinator Espinoza reported that the stickers for the back of the photos were already made. Commissioners will meet near the Registration area for the Disability Carnival at 9:15 am. The parade kicks off at 10 am. Commissioners should meet at the parade site at 9:30 am. Commissioner Goldberg asked about someone manning the accessible seating area in front of the library at the parade. Commissioner Harrison

volunteered. Commissioner McCarty has the Commission banner and will bring it to the parade.

Coordinator Espinoza reported that she had received an invoice from the Festival Committee for sponsorship of the Citizens with Disabilities Day. Chairman Ramsey informed her that the sponsorship had been voted on and approved so the invoice can be paid.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Some commissioners reported that they had not received their Statement of Economic Disclosure forms.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business to report.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Goldberg seconded by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.