



AGENDA  
Commission for Citizens with Disabilities  
Commissions Room  
Arlington Heights Village Hall  
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd., AH 60005  
March 10, 2026  
6:30 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. Approval February 10th, 2026 Minutes
- IV. REPORTS
  - A. Health & Human Services
  - B. Inclusion & Kindness Award
  - C. Special Event Subcommittee
  - D. SSDI Speaker Event
- V. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. Metra Train Accessibility
  - B. Frontier Days Sponsorship
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. OTHER BUSINESS
- VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to speak on a subject not on the Agenda may speak at this time. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS  
WITH DISABILITIES  
TUESDAY, February 10TH, 2026  
6:30 P.M.  
BUECHNER CONFERENCE ROOM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular Commission for Citizens with Disabilities was called to order by Chairman Durkin at 6:46 p.m. in the Buechner Room at the Village Hall.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Jennifer Durkin, Chairman  
Jennifer Thomas, Commissioner  
Brian Harrison, Commissioner  
Eva Mullinax, Commissioner  
Roxanne Calibraro, Commissioner

**Also Present:** Hannah Kane, Liaison  
Mila Tsagalis, Director of the Health & Human Services  
Tre Collins, Administrative Assistant

**Not Present:** Seth Goldberg, Commissioner  
David R. McCallum, Commissioner  
Pam McVoy, Commissioner  
Beth Dieter, Commissioner

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A.** A Motion was made by Commissioner Calibraro and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the minutes of the January 13th, 2026, Commission for Citizens with Disabilities Meeting.

**IV. REPORTS**

**A. Health & Human Services**

Director Tsagalis shared an update with the commissioners about the upcoming meetings for the remainder of the year. March 14th, 2026, will be the last meeting before the speaking event in April. This event is the Protected Tomorrow presentation, taking place on April 29th, and will take the place of the commission meeting in April. Discussed logistics of the presentation and recommendations, such as questions will be held and asked after the presentation, as well as offering coffee and small snacks after the presentation to invite networking. Commissioners agreed with the suggestions. The program will be recorded and transcribed to be available to the community in an accessible way as well.

**B. Inclusion & Kindness Award nominations**

Liaison Kane shared that there were 3 nominations for the award. The Commission is finding new ways to promote this award and is still seeking nominations. Discussion of how the commission wants to present the award and what will be given to the person who has won the award, when this will take place, and more.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Frontier Days 2026**

Liaison Kane had a conversation with TwentyOne Senses about providing a sensory tent for the Frontier Days event. She provided information about the organization so that the commission could gain a better understanding of how it operates at an event. It would be an enclosed pop-up tent, sensory items, flexible seating, and headphones. Liaison Kane met with the co-owner of the organization and was provided with a quote for 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on July 3rd, 2026, for approximately \$625.

The Commission inquired whether people would be able to eat in the sensory tent, noting that in the past, the food tent/court is usually near the DJ booth, which can be too loud for some attendees. Director Tsagalis informed the commission that she would get in contact with Frontier Days to clarify location of food tent and areas where there will be less stimulation.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Metra Train Station Accessibility**

Commissioner Thomas shared concerns about the Metra Station in downtown Arlington Heights with regard to inaccessible doors. Explained that all sets of doors to enter the station vestibule do not have accessible push-to-open buttons, and that the doors are very heavy. Commissioner Thomas encouraged the Village to get in contact with Metra Station about adding accessible doors to the station.

### **B. Frontier Days Sponsorship vote**

A motion was made by Commissioner Mullinax and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the donation of \$1,000 dollars to Frontier Days.

### **C. October speaking event**

Director Tsagalis shared with the commissioner that there was an opportunity to host another speaking event in October a suggestion was given to continue to use Protected Tomorrow again. The Village manager suggested bringing the community in to speak to the commission about how they can make Arlington Heights more accessible. The commissioner seemed really interested in the suggestion that the village manager gave. Mila thinks they could use that information and take the data to prioritize and plan for the near future for the village and the commission.

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, a motion was to adjourn by Commissioner Calibraro and Seconded by Commissioner Harrison. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 P.M.**