

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
Communications Committee Minutes
Tuesday, June 30, 2020

The Committee met via Zoom at 5:35 p.m.

Present:

Rose Dikis
Claire Gysegem
Carolyn Lewis
Arian Smedley

Carolyn Lewis called the meeting to order and reviewed the day and the time for future meetings through 2020: The second Thursday of each month except November and December, 5:30 p.m. We reviewed the agenda for this meeting and discussed each.

- **Monthly columns** – Berry Dilley, July; Rose Dikis, August.
- **Letters to the editor** – Sly Mata, July. The Committee commended Noah Trembly for his July column and Claire for her July letter to the editor.
- **Commission profiles** – Once Davey McNelly finalizes the template, the Committee will post and publicize different profiles. *We discussed giving media coverage to members new to the Commission.*
- **Social media** – We will refresh the Commission’s Facebook page. *Claire will review.* She will also add videos and articles. *Dr. Smith’s video* is the next to be placed. Claire will also take a look at our page on the *City site* to see how we can enhance our content. *Rose will continue to add Facebook announcements and will work with Claire.*
- **Athena Award** event promotion on hold. Will work with the Education and Outreach Committee on whatever is decided for November.
- **Guidelines** on making events more accessible – *Arian will research* and work with Dianne Bouvier on development.

Arian led a discussion on the Commission developing a resource piece for people with disabilities who are in need and don’t qualify for Adult Protective Services or ACBDD Services, and to also be a resource for individuals with disabilities interested in moving to our area. *Arian will contact Davey* on thoughts he might have and options in the interim since we don’t yet have a CIL *Rose and Claire will also work with pulling together resources.*

Next Zoom meeting July 9 at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Lewis
Acting Secretary

