

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
July 17, 2019
Community Center
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

- In attendance: Maxine Rantine, Carolyn Lewis, Robin Brigante, Davey McNelly, Noah Trembly, Diane Bouvier, Patricia Ercolino, Scott Dennis, Samorra Dower, Rose Dikis (By Phone).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5 mins)

- June 2019 minutes
- Pushed to August – no quorum

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Noah (10 mins)
- Budget cuts and planning
 - o We used to have 3k but were reduced to 1k. Didn't realize it. Noah is checking to see if we can get approved for more funding.
 - o Commission currently charged for interpreter services, which should be an accommodation by the City. Noah is checking on this to see if it can be taken out of budget.

NEW BUSINESS

- By Laws (Carolyn – 5 mins)
 - o Updates
- Athena Award Game Plan (Carolyn – 10 minutes)
 - o November 6 or 13th
 - o Has ran radio spots for nominations, have a Studio B set up with WOUB, ramping up outreach for the Athena Award
 - o Carolyn will look at budget and send to Noah to get approval from City Council
 - o Planning to visit Civic Clubs
 - o Emailing email list
 - o Athens News and Messenger

OLD BUSINESS:

- Membership (5 mins)
 - Looking for a Co-Chair (Lara stepping down)
 - Looking for one-two new members
- Parking discussion (Robin and Noah)
 - Asking for Mayor's office to format

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Executive (David) (5 mins)
 - Membership, By-laws, agenda setting
 - Met with Mayor
 - Reminder to send out committee minutes/have meetings
- Accessibility and Mobility (David) (5 mins)
 - Putt People First Golf Course resolution (tabled)
 - Meeting regularly with city planners to look through city plans
 - Have a meeting set up with Jessica Adine in the City Planning office
 - And with Carey Busch of OU scheduled.
 - Green cab is now a JFS/Medicaid provider

- Communications (Brian) (5 mins)
 - No report – not in attendance

- Education & Events (Carolyn) (5 mins)
 - Updates
 - See above and meeting minutes from committee meeting.
 - Group is growing and doing very well, meeting monthly

- Advocacy (Maxine) (5 mins)
 - No report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- USDA grants and application for housing assistance open.
- TIF for University Estates was a collaboration by many on this commission for more accessible housing

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