

City of Athens Commission on Disabilities  
Meeting Minutes  
November 20, 2019  
City of Athens Recreation Center 5:30 PM

In attendance: Noah Trembley, Rob Delach, Doug Brooks, Carolyn Lewis, Berry Dilley, Rose Dikis (via phone), Davey McNelly, Cheryl Prusinski, Paige Fuentes, Scott Dennis, Dianne Bouvier, Bryce Auster, Tristen (Noah's aid), Patricia Ercolino

Approval of October Minutes: Motion- Noah Seconded- Berry Approved

Treasurers Report: Total \$948.35 was for the Athena Award. Budget for next year is \$1000. Interpreter Services \$2800 for the year and the mayor's office is covering that.

New Business:

Athena Award Recognition: Davey recognizes Carolyn and Berry for their work on it, and the committee. Berry receives an proclamation from the mayor. A well attended event. There was a ghost email account that nominations were sent to. We will add them to next year's nominations. Thanks to the photographer.

Voting In Executive Committee: Nominations are; Davey McNelly for chair, Noah Trembely as Vice Chair, Carolyn Lewis as Treasurer, There is no one for Secretary at this point. Motion: Scott Seconded: Berry Passes

Welcoming New Members: This will be happening in January. We could use help with the Communications Committee and we will see what strengths that they will bring to the commission. They still need to be appointed by the mayor if he has not already. Orientation session before the next meeting which will be in January.

Legislative Bill: Someone has requested that the commission support Ohio HB 214 which deals with audible prescription labels. Carolyn will send the link so that we can read it and then we can decide if we want to endorse it. We will vote on it in January.

ADA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: 2020 is the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the A.D.A. OU is hosting some events. We will try and partner with them on promoting speakers, etc.

Old Business: There is none.

Committee Reports:

Executive: Next meeting is this Friday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November. We are not sure where.

Accessibility and Mobility: Rob gave us an update about Washington Street project. Trying to meet with Jessica Aldine on a regular basis. There were some questions about e-scooters that might not be here until February. Arts West Changes- ramp and bathroom upstairs needs work. Noah is introducing an ordinance to council about using Universal Design in accessibility issues. Parking study grant- We will hear about it next week on the 26th. Walking tour with some city administrators about Washington Street work coming soon. Next meeting is December 12<sup>th</sup> at the city building at noon.

Communications: Needs new leadership and members.

Education & Events: Updated contact list will be coming soon. Next meeting will be in January.

Advocacy: Maxine is not here.

Announcements: Davey wants to say thank you to everyone for the great work that we have done in the last year.

Adjourn: Motioned: Berry Seconded: Carolyn Passes