

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
November 15th, 2023
Athens Community Center Room A (or via Zoom with ADA request)
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER (Davey)

ESTABLISH QUORUM (Ally)

PURPOSE: The Athens City Commission on Disabilities is a committee of city government whose commitment is to provide a means for the concerns of people with disabilities to be heard; to advocate for public policy change; to provide expertise to the community on disabilities; and to tell the community about the strengths and limitations of people with disabilities, as well as how the community can help them improve their quality of life, thereby ensuring equality of opportunity and full participation in community life for everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Ally) (3 mins)

- October 2023

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Carolyn (3 min)
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NEW BUSINESS

- Athens Photo Project Presentation (Davey – 10 mins)
 - o Athens City Grant funding a ramp
 - o Update on space, funding use, and program info from Nate Thompson
- City Grant for Accessibility for buildings and businesses (Annah– 5 mins)
 - o Follow up and communications plan for before / after stories
- Exec team vote and call for Committee Chairs (Davey – 2 minutes)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Executive Team (Ally, Carolyn, Davey, Dianne) (5 mins)
 - Athena Award planning
 - 20th anniversary of Commission and 10th Anniversary of Athena Award
 - 2024 planning
- Accessibility and Advocacy (Dianne/Ally) (10 mins)
 - Accessibility Consult asks - JFS
 - Accessibility Matrix revision and sent to City
 - Next meeting: January 12th at noon – City Building
- Outreach and Communications (Deb and Michelle) (25 mins)
 - Athens Award discussion
 - Strengths and review of event
 - Media, parts, get out the word plan
 - Jan 9th City Building 5:30 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dr. jw Smith resignation and Grammy Nomination.
- Calliope Feminist Choir Concert this weekend

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