

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
July 17, 2024
Athens Community Center Room A (or via Teams with ADA request)
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Davey called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Present: Michelle Hahn, Davey McNelly (chairperson), Lacey Rogers, Ally Hughes (secretary), Deb Burleigh, Carolyn Lewis, Dianne Bouvier, Annah Korpi

Guests: Annika Johnson, Nicole Miller, Makahla Schnarre, Andrew Chiki, John Warton, Patrick Lawson, Brett Howard, Amy Lipika, Tim Trexler, Margaret Hutzler

Teams: Carolyn Lewis

Quorum is met with 8 of 11 members present.

Michelle Hahn read the Committee's 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

- Annah made a motion to accept the June Minutes. Dianne seconded. Passed Unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- Carolyn Lewis reported the balance has not changed.
- Dianne made a motion to accept the report, Annah seconded. All approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- TIF University Estates Building Plan
- Sarah Grace came in November and the Commission gave recommendations for improvements
- Proposal includes around 46 units, duplexes and triplexes, no flexibility for one floor only.
- Andrew Chiki recommended that the Commission provide a list of items or concerns to the developers.
- The Commission was asked to write a letter stating whether or not we endorse the project.
- Sensory Friendly Pool Update
 - Last commission meeting – sensory pool time – pilot six weeks
- Accessibility and Advocacy (Ally)
 - Will report at next meeting
 - Next meeting: August 9th at noon – City Building
- Outreach and Communications (Deb and Michelle)
 - Will report at next meeting
 - Next meeting: August 13th at 5:30 City Building

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN

Ally made a motion to adjourn, Dianne seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by:

Ally Hughes

Secretary

7/22/2024