

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES  
MINUTES  
MAY 11, 2023

1.) Call to Order: Time 6:33PM

2.) Roll Call: Giuseppe Gianino; ABS Excused, Taylor Johnson; Present, Aron Shutran; Present, Rita Shutran; Present.

3.) Approval of Agenda.) As Written: Second; Taylor Johnson

4.) Approval of Minutes March 9, 2023

A.) As written: Second Taylor Johnson

5.) New Business:

A.) Permission to display flyers in the shelves in front of library. Rita Shutran talked with Paul Konkoleski and he will work with the commission getting the flyers in the display case.

B.) Rita Shutran discussed ideas to celebrate all authors with a variety of abilities in the library, including Autism Awareness Month, Downs Syndrome Awareness Month etc. Mr. Konkoleski is very open to this idea as well. More information can be available for 2024 calendar year.

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6.) New Business:

A.) Taylor Johnson presented ideas from the Finger Print Project with the Madison Hgts. Police Dpt. It was decided the Commission on Disabilities would like to suggest this type of project be added to the Warren, Police Dpt.

B.) Continued progress for the need for mental health training for the Warren Police Dpt. Mr. Dimas, from human resources, stated Ms. Brooks replacement will need to address this issue. Council woman, Mindy Moore states there is ongoing training.

C.) Rita Shutran discussed presenting the 2019 Congressional Record to the mayor and the city during the Mayor's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

7.) Miscellaneous:

A.) A question was presented; Can the Commission on Disabilities send a letter to local school districts, police departments and the county sheriff department stating we stand with them and Anti-Bullying platform? Follow up on this idea will be needed.

B.) Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Discussed evening as good time of fellowship.

8.) Audience participation:

A.) Lauri Artz: Ms. Artz discussed the plans for the new courthouse. She indicated the plans were approved by the Planning Commission, and City Council, without allowing input from the Commission on Disabilities. Mr. Dimas, suggested he and Rita Shutran plan to talk about the plans for the courthouse and bringing this commission in on the process.

Ms. Artz asked Chair Rita Shutran "What are you doing with the \$1Million?" Rita Shutran was unable to answer the question, Ms. Murphy explained the commission does not have \$1Million funding and has never had that amount of funding.

Mr. Tony Baker:

Mr. Baker discussed the need to make the city more ADA compliant and the failures he sees in the city owned properties. He also stated he will be hosting a protest in front of city hall Thursday May 18, 2023.

He expressed his concerns RE: the new courthouse and the plans.

8.) Motion to adjourn:

Second: Aron Shutran

Meeting Adjourned 6:59PM

