

Commission on Disabilities  
Minutes  
December 14, 2024

1. Call to Order: 6:30PM
2. Roll Call: Taylor Johnson, Aron Shutran, Rita Shutran.
3. Approval of Agenda, December 14, 2023:  
As written, Second by Taylor Johnson
4. Approval of Minutes December 14, 2023:  
As Written Second by Aron Shutran
5. New Business:
  - A.) Discussed new name of X=Commission for the Blind now known as Bureau of Services for Blind Persons. It was presented by Rita Shutran and she stressed the importance for the new name be posted in News Beat &/or other city communication services. It was mentioned the services and adaptive equipment is amazing to experience.
  - B.) Discussions continue RE: the plans for the new Court house. The commission really wants Mr. Wuerth to attend a meeting to answer questions RE accessibility concerns.
6. Old Business:
  - A.) Discussed the concerns brought to the commission during July meeting RE the traffic light at 13 Mile Rd. and Ryan. Ms. Murphy explained the area in question is a county matter and stated she reached out to Mr. Metzler to inform him of the county being responsible for this area roads.
7. Miscellaneous: Taylor Johnson was informed she can call the clerk's office to get sworn in for another term as a member of the commission.
- 8.) Audience Participation:

A.) Mr. Tony Baker: Mr. Baker expressed his frustration RE: the lack of ADA Compliance with various city properties. He submitted a FOIA Request to confirm Mr. Wuerth's experience and knowledge of the 2010 ADA standards and expressed concerns of Councilman Jim Cummings knowledge of ADA compliancy importance. He continued to express his concerns with the city management of

commercial and city property compliance with ADA ordinance. He also states Mayor Stone has stated she is committee to improve the accessibility of city properties.

B.) Ms. Lori Harris: Ms. Harris suggested Mr. Wuetth come to the meeting RE the courthouse. She states she goes to planning meetings, and has expressed her apprehension. Ms. Murphy stated contacts from the commission have been made and steps have been made to assure the commission involvement in the planning for the new courthouse. She states she is concerned with the storm drains at most intersections are a safety hazard for people in wheel chairs and/or using canes. She is concerned the city is favoring businesses over people with disabilities and finding favor for the businesses RE parking, and other ADA compliance issues.

9. Motion to adjourn: 6:59PM  
Motion Second, Aron Shutran  
Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Submitted By: Rita Shutran, Chair/Acting Secretary