

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD  
DISABLED PERSONS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2009**

A meeting of the Disabled Persons Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Municipal Building on Tuesday, August 25, 2009. Chairman Huchler-Smith opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Those present:

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Lisa Huchler-Smith, Chairman  
David Rogers, Vice-Chairman  
Megan Dorko, Secretary  
Ann Piccinotti, member (absent)  
George Crawford, member  
Dennis "Digger" O'Brien, alternate

**OTHERS:**

Pete Stainthorpe, Supervisor Liaison  
Charm Crawford

**APPROVAL OF JULY 2009 MINUTES**

Mr. Rogers moved, Ms. Dorko and Mr. Crawford seconded and the July 2009 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**LMT COMMUNITY PRIDE DAY**

Ms. Huchler-Smith asked Board members for their participation in running the DPAB table at the annual Lower Makefield Township Community Pride Day. As in years past, the table will contain information regarding the DPAB; it's goals and accomplishments, as well as information regarding disabilities in general. Information regarding public transportation for the disabled, and EMC forms will also be available. Mr. O'Brien expressed interest in manning the table with Mrs. Piccinotti from 12:00-1:30 pm, with Mr. and Mrs. Crawford taking over from 1:30-3:00pm. Ms. Dorko will take over the table at 3:00pm until 4:30pm, with Ms. Huchler-Smith arriving after to take all materials home.

**TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER**

Ms. Huchler-Smith has composed a piece about the DPAB to be featured in the Township's fall newsletter. Ms. Huchler-Smith provided Board members with a copy of her letter, asking that it be reviewed and any corrections or suggestions be e-mailed to her.

**EMC FORM**

The location of the EMC form on the LMT website was discussed. It was suggested that the EMC form be moved to the "Forms" tab on the website, in order to make it easier for community members to find and download.

## **TOWNSHIP CABLE CHANNEL**

The Disabled Persons Advisory Board has been asked along with the other Township Boards and Commissions to create a PowerPoint presentation to run on the Township Channel. The presentation will introduce the Board, what the Board has done and can do and how to contact the Board members. Mr. O'Brien is currently working on ideas for the presentation, using a template developed by Zach Rubin.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Ms. Huchler-Smith attended a meeting of the Economic Development Committee held on August 24, 2009. Ms. Huchler-Smith informed the committee that the DPAB is interested in giving a presentation. Subjects to be included in the presentation were discussed and are outlined as follows:

- ADA regulations
- Tax credits for business owners who hire the disabled
- Making business establishments accessible for the disabled (e.g. the purchase of accessible furniture, etc.)
- Providing examples of established businesses in the community that have been made accessible

## **BUILDING PERMITS**

There were no building permits for discussion.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Township Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dorko, Secretary