

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD  
DISABLED PERSONS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015**

A meeting of the Disabled Persons Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, March 4, 2015. Chairperson Huchler-Smith opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Those present:

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Lisa Huchler-Smith, Chairperson  
David Rogers, Vice-Chairperson  
Megan Dorko, Secretary (absent)  
Trish O'Donnell, member  
Lynn Buie Carter, member  
Barbara Williams, Alternate  
Dan McLaughlin, Supervisor Liaison (attending  
Supervisor's Meeting)

**APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 4, 2015 MINUTES**

Ms. O'Donnell moved, Mr. Rogers seconded and the February 4, 2015 minutes were unanimously approved.

**RESIGNATION**

Due to a move to Denver, CO -Lynn Buie Carter has resigned from the DPAB. We thank her for her service on the Board and wish her the best of luck in Colorado.

**REORGANIZATION**

As a result of the resignation of Lynn Buie Carter, Alternate Barbara Williams will move into a member position. Advertisement of the alternate position can move forward. Will have Township Manager advertise open position on website, T.V. Channel and potentially attend BOS meeting and bring up at public comment.

**BROCHURE**

Revisions were completed by Ms. Dorko and the brochure was printed and placed in the township lobby. Will be replaced as needed.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

No information on next meeting to be held.

Noted from the BOS meeting last week that the police department has recommended placing cameras at Macclesfield and the new inclusive playground. There have not been any incidents to report at the playground, but they feel that it would be a deterrent and help identify any crime committed.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING**

Ms. Huchler-Smith and Ms. O'Donnell attended the Parks and Rec. meeting on February 10, 2015. They discussed the possibility of putting a sign up at the entrance of the inclusive playground. Several examples were presented and a suggestion was made to investigate having the Artists of Yardley (AOY) assist with the idea. Donna Liney will talk with the township manager and contact AOY.

Ms. Huchler-Smith discussed the condition of the bike path and road crossing at the entrance of Memorial Park. There is a bike path along Woodside Road and anyone wanting to access Memorial Park has to cross over a grassy median and a storm grate to cross Woodside to the walkway into the park. We suggested that a paved access be added directly across from the walkway. This will make it safe for the disabled, strollers, bikes, etc. In addition, we would recommend stripping on Woodside Road to alert drivers that there is pedestrian crossing.

## **PLAYGROUND UPDATE**

**Benches** – nothing ordered yet. Still working on identifying the best bench and will contact any donors at that point. Ms. Huchler-Smith will contact township manager about plans to donate in memory of Pete Stainthorpe. We may not know of future plans township may have already.

## **BUILDING PLANS**

There are currently no new building plans for the township.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Dave Rogers let us know about **Run the Gates** 10<sup>th</sup> Annual 5 Mile and 1 Mile Run, Roll and Walk event to be held June 7, 2015. See information at [www.runthegates.org](http://www.runthegates.org).

Dave Rogers commented that the Center for Independent Living has seen an increase in activity. They have a new website and feel it is much more user friendly and has helped.

Lynn Buie Carter shared a form she found called “Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities.” We will review and suggest to post on our website.

**No meeting - April 2015**

**Next meeting - May 6, 2015**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dorko, Secretary