

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD
DISABLED PERSONS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012**

A meeting of the Disabled Persons Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, April 4th, 2012. Chairperson Huchler-Smith opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Those present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Lisa Huchler-Smith, Chairperson
David Rogers, member
George Crawford, member
Trish O'Donnell, Vice-Chairperson (absent)
Lynn Carter, member
Megan Dorko, Secretary

OTHERS:

Daniel McLaughlin, Supervisor Liaison (attending
BOS meeting)
Charm Crawford

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2012 MINUTES

Mr. Rogers moved, Ms. Carter seconded and the February 2012 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

RESIDENT REQUEST

A resident of Lower Makefield Township has asked the DPAB for help regarding some issues she is currently experiencing. The woman has multiple disabilities and is having trouble obtaining access to her mail due to some structural barriers that exist where she lives. While the DPAB believes that they are not able to help her directly, the Board will send the resident information and resources that will help her obtain the aid she needs.

COMMUNITY ACCESS AWARD

While the Board is pleased with the article itself, the story regarding the Community Access Award (published in the Bucks County Courier Times) has received no response from the community.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Playground – Trucks have been spotted at Memorial Park, and it is predicted that the dirt pile will be removed by May. After this is done, the Township engineer will then draw up a site plan.

Pool – Two lifts have been installed at the community pool.

Tennis Courts – The tennis courts have recently been resurfaced and made more accessible to those with disabilities. It is believed that proper handicapped parking is currently available at the tennis courts, but the Board will be checking to see that proper parking and signage exists.

SENIOR MEETING

Members of the DPAB are invited to attend the next senior meeting due to be held April 10th, 2012. Mr. Rogers plans to attend briefly to discuss the emergency management forms, the Community Access Award, and making the senior center accessible.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Economic Development Committee is to be held on April 19th, 2012. While attending these meetings has been helpful in getting the DPAB out into the community, the Board does not feel that attending the meetings has been worthwhile otherwise. Therefore, there are no plans for any member to attend the upcoming meeting.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

The committee helping to oversee the development of the new senior center is currently on hiatus. There are no updates at this time.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2nd, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dorko, Secretary