TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019

A meeting of the Disability Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Community Center on March 13, 2019. Chairperson Huchler-Smith opened the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Those present:

Lisa Huchler-Smith, Chairperson
David Mann, Vice Chairperson
Trish O'Donnell, Secretary
David Rogers, member
Dr. Frederic Weiss, Supervisor Liaison (absent)

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2019 MINUTES

Mr. Mann moved, Mr. Rogers seconded, and the February 13, 2019 minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN HOUSE

March 9, 2019, the Community Center hosted an open-house. The DAB attended to provide information on our Board, Roll and Stroll event and Responsible Parking. Our table was shared with Lower Makefield library, (Sensory Story Time). Ms. Huchler-Smith suggested obtaining "Give-Aways" for future events.

Table traffic was very light and we had few inquiries. Mr. Mann, thought there was marginal value in DAB being there, Mr. Rogers concurred. In addition, there is not adequate parking, particularly for the disabled.

ROLL AND STROLL

Possible date for the Roll and Stroll this year is October 5, 2019. Mr. Mann noted that April is Autism month and October is Disability month.

Ms. Huchler-Smith stated that if we are unable to partner with another group, we should consider holding the event every other year.

Possible partners:

Boy Scouts
BCRR - Bucks County Road Runners
L.M. Library (Sensory Story Time)
Potential Inc.
YMS Special Stars
L.M. Walking Group
Center for Independent Living (CIL)

Ms. Huchler-Smith will reach out to Potential Inc and YMS Special Stars and Mr. Rogers will reach out to BCRR and CIL.

UPDATE DAB BANNER, BUSINESS CARDS AND BROCHURE

Mr. Rogers remarked on the need for a new "DAB" sign., Mr. Mann noted the need for the Townships phone number, new logo, and e-mail address on Business Cards. Ms. Huchler-Smith will send an email to township requesting the purchase of a new banner and business cards. In addition, the brochure will be updated and remove the list of members.

FREE WEBINAR

Resident Cathy Larrick forwarded information on a free Webinar

AmericaWalks.com March 19, 2019 2:00 p.m.

Partnering with the disability rights community.

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NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mann suggested we schedule meeting with State Representative Perry Warren to familiarize him with our purpose and function in the community.

Next meeting to be held April 10, 2019

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trish O'Donnell Secretary, Disability Advisory Board