TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY October 9, 2019

A meeting of the Disability Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Community Center on October 9, 2019. Chairperson Huchler opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Those present:

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

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 14, 2019 MINUTES

Mr. Rogers moved, Ms. Huchler seconded, and the August 14, 2019 minutes were unanimously approved.

OPEN POSITIONS

No resumes received to date.

COMMUNITY PRIDE DAY

Ms. Huchler and Mr. Mann attended LMT Community Day on September 1, 2019. Information and brochures were provided about our Board and the event was successful.

ROLL AND STROLL

Agreed to hold the Roll and Stroll in 2020 and will coordinate on the same day as Bike the Park Day. An email will be sent to the Parks and Rec Department to alert us to the date in 2020.

TABLECLOTH

The DAB decided to purchase a tablecloth with the new name and logo to use at future events. Approval was received from Frederic Weiss to proceed. Will place order with Fast signs via email.

Business cards will not be ordered at this time.

BUILDING PLAN REVIEW

Edgewood Road bike paths are on hold. A grant was secured but at this point not sure if the township will be able to provide matching funds.

Accessible door handles in the township building will be included in the project to update all doors with swipe card capability.

Automated doors in the new Community Center are still under consideration. The doors are not standard size and there is an additional cost to convert the doors. Mr. Mann did ask if they considered using the side door as a potential accessible door to save costs. Will keep us updated.

Accessible curb cuts at the intersection of Heacock and Edgewood were not included in the planning schedule. Would have to budgeted by LMT. Will continue to follow up on this project.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mann suggested that we prepare a comprehensive statement asking LMT to consider more accessible building requirements when it comes to new construction/projects.

Ideas to promote may include Family Restrooms, accessible apartments, accessible curbs and walkways, etc.

We will draft a mission statement or goal that can be presented to the Board Liaison and township zoning director to consider taking a more aggressive approach to providing inclusive communities.

Next meeting to be held November 13, 2019

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trish O'Donnell

Secretary, Disability Advisory Board