

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD
DISABLED PERSONS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2011**

A meeting of the Disabled Persons Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Municipal Building on Tuesday, November 22, 2011. 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 (absent)
Trish O'Donnell, Vice-Chairperson (absent)
Lynn Buie-Carter, member
Megan Dorko, Secretary

OTHERS:

Ron Smith, Supervisor Liaison (absent)
Charm Crawford (absent)

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2011 MINUTES

Mr. Rogers moved, Ms. Buie-Carter seconded and the October 2011 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FORM UPDATE

Both Mr. and Mrs. Crawford attended the most recent Neighborhood Watch meeting to inform the public about the updates to the emergency database. The Crawfords received a very positive response and the captains of the Neighborhood Watch will now be helping to inform residents about the emergency management forms. The DPAB will do another big push for the form updates in January 2012.

COMMUNITY ACCESS AWARD

Kate Fratti of the Bucks County Courier Times has been contacted regarding an article about the Community Access Award. No response from Ms. Fratti has been received as yet. The DPAB feels that January 2012 will be a good time for the article to be published.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

The committee for the Senior Community Center met recently to discuss the building site. The Patterson Farm site will probably not be selected as a result of costs surrounding road improvements, water, sewer, elevator, etc. Several members of the committee are opposed to the Veterans Square site because of parking issues and lack of possible later expansion space. The Samost Tract site on Oxford Valley Road seems to be the best location assuming that concerns regarding lighting and parking being taken by ball field participants can be resolved.

2011 GOALS

The DPAB conducted a review of the year's goals as follows:

Brochures - fully updated and complete, but no printing is needed as yet.

Emergency Management - list is in the process of being updated.

Handicapped Parking – revisions and updates (additional spots/ proper signage) are ongoing.

Countywide DPAB – The DPAB continues to support the installation of a countywide DPAB.

Community Access Award – Ad for publication and newspaper article underway.

Inclusive Playground – project initiated and is ongoing.

Community Outreach – Senior events have proved to be very successful.

Review of Permits – Ongoing.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The board will not meet in December. The next meeting will be held on January 23rd, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Dorko, Secretary