

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD
DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019**

A meeting of the Disability Advisory Board of the Township of Lower Makefield was held in the Community Center on November 7, 2018. Chairperson Huchler-Smith opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Those present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

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

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2018 MINUTES

Ms. O'Donnell moved, Mr. Rogers seconded, and the November 7, 2018 minutes were unanimously approved.

REAPPOINTMENT

David Mann reappointed by Board of Supervisors (BOS) for 2-year term on the Disability Advisory Board.

REORGANIZATION

The reorganization of Board members for 2019 is as follows:

Lisa Huchler-Smith, Chairperson - Mr. Mann moved, Ms. O'Donnell seconded, unanimously approved.

David Mann, Vice Chairperson - Mr. Rogers moved, Ms. O'Donnell seconded, unanimously approved.

Patricia O'Donnell, Secretary - Mr. Rogers moved, Mr. Mann seconded, unanimously approved.

New Liaison, Dr. Frederic Weiss assigned at BOS reorganization meeting.

DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD VACANCIES

The Board has 2 vacancies - Member and Alternate member. Dr. Weiss will make announcement at the next BOS meeting. In addition, the DAB will market opening as we attend community events.

INQUIRY FROM LOWER MAKEFIELD LIBRARY

Ms. Mindi Popovich from the Lower Makefield Library reached out to us to see if there were any opportunities to partner with her on the Sensory Storytime program. The Board agreed that this is a worthy activity for children of all abilities and we will promote it at community events. In addition, we thought she could reach out to the Pennsbury School district to see if they could promote this at the elementary school level.

VETERANS PARK PATHWAY

The DAB sent an email to township manager suggesting that all projects go through the zoning department before approval is given to proceed. After the email was sent there was no acknowledgement of receipt of email. The DAB discussed that it would be proper for the township to at least acknowledge communication from one of its committees. Dr. Weiss was going to bring this to the attention of the township manager.

GOALS FOR 2019

- Roll and Stroll -Date to be determined. Will look into the fall of 2019-9/21,10/5 or 10/12 and if that does not work consider Spring of 2020-5/16
- Attend community events
- Follow up
 - Parking signs at township properties
 - Accessible cutout at Veterans park
 - Township Building accessibility issues-door handles
 - New paths around township complexes
 - Community Center Doors
- Church communication regarding accessibility.
- Keep on top of current building plans.
- Continue process on how to review building plans/training on construction plan review.
- Recruit new members
- SMART 911 – will continue to monitor the usage of this program. Will ask to attend next EMC meeting to discuss the police monitoring and usage of this information.

COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN HOUSE

March 9th, 2019, the Community Center will host an open house from 10am-2pm to commemorate the one-year anniversary of its grand opening. The DAB will attend to provide information on our Board, Roll and Stroll and Responsible Parking. An email will be sent to Ms. Popovich to see if she would like to share a table at this event.

BUILDING PLANS

Mr. Mann had inquired last fall about the new building construction at the Park and Ride. This is the new Headquarters for the DRJBA. This project falls outside of LMT jurisdiction.

Preliminary plans for the new assisted living building off of Dobry Rd were reviewed. Mr. Rogers will send our concerns regarding placement and number of Handicapped Parking spaces to the township zoning officer.

Next meeting to be held March 13, 2019

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Huchler-Smith
Chairperson, Disability Advisory Board