Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 6, 2018, noon to 2:00 at the Community Center

Attendees: Bonnie Bolster, Miranda Nash, Pat Teal, Jack McCreary

Absent: Marion Huxtable, Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe

Additions to Agenda:

Pat would like to add Jefferson County Health improvement program to next month's agenda.

Minutes:

Jack moves to approve Februarys minutes and all approve.

Treasurer's Report:

DASH regular acct. balance: \$4134.03. Emergency acct. balance: \$7.77.

Bonnie has an invoice for reimbursement of the fee \$10.00 for the Washington Annual Report.

Pat would like to send Sue Marret? a thank you for her recent donation to DASH.

Post Office:

Jack commended Bonnie and Pats campaign for ADA accessibility on the PT Post office approximately 10 years ago. Jack would like to reattempt to make these changes, that we unable to be done before. Pat said she thought the City of PT was going to form a PDA for the post office and Fort Worden. Jack thinks it is unacceptable that the post office is not accessible as a public entity. Jack requested that DASH board members approve to take this project on, and that he would like to start the project. Jack would like to arrange a meeting with the PT Postmaster. Pat suggests that DASH contact local news media outlets to view a demonstration of accessing the building. Jack would like to propose a motion to make this a priority project for DASH, and arrange a meeting with the postmaster, Pat seconds, all approve. Pat will arrange a meeting. (20th?) Bonnie will contact George Randal's.

Training Service Animals;

Pat and Shirley Williams are attending training at the Jefferson Healthcare for staff on the new policy for service animals. March 8, 2018 1:30 to 5pm, and March 9, 2018 7am to noon

Accommodations:

Pat scheduled to evaluate Solstice Farm on Thursday 3/8/18, On Beaver Valley, @ 1:00pm Alegria Bed and Breakfast cancelled their evaluation they may reschedule.

Port Ludlow Inn is schedule to be evaluated a week from Thursday at 1:00 pm, a few other B and B's, Celia and Lyn would like to help evaluate the Bishop Hotel.

City Updates:

Assistive listening devices: Joanna Saunders, the PT City Clerk was going to write up a summary of listening devices. There is a write-up in the city newsletter about the devices DASH could put on their website.

Water Street Project: Pedestrian tiles proposal. Pat and Marion, spoke with Laura parsons who is heading the water street project. Timmons is stating it is too late to install these tiles, and that the city did not learn of the request in time.

The city is starting the Quincy Street Project to upgrade sidewalks and curb cuts this summer.

Letter in support of ROC grant, scored pretty high last year. Alex with the City Parks Department is trying to get a mechanized wheelbarrow for gravel on the trails. DASH wrote letter in support last year and would like to do it again.

Mt. View Commons; the doors to pool are heavy and after receiving complaints they are installing automatic doors and ADA ramps to the police department, and pool. Starting mid-to-late march.

Chamber Luncheon:

Kudos for DASH and a NAMI contact

DASH will speak at the next NAMI Group. Pat would like to make sure NAMI is on The DASH website.

ADA changes passed by House:

Pat would like to have DASH write a letter against the new bill. Pat would reach out to Marion and see if she would like to write up a proposal.

Accessible Voting: Pat will write up someone thing up for the website. The meetings are coming up.

Recreation Trails:

On pause for better weather.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at the Community Center from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.