

# **Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH)**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, September 5th, 2017, Noon to 2:00 at the Community Center

**Attendees:** Marion Huxtable, Bonnie Bolster, Pat Teal, Jack McCreary

**Absent:** Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe, Miranda Nash

**Guest:** Bruce Cowan for Homes Now

### **Minutes**

No action

### ***Homes Now* information from Bruce Cowan**

Mr Cowan shared information about the Proposition that will be on the ballot. In Bellingham a home fund was passed and raised 12m in taxes that was leveraged with another 63 m dollars. The goal is to build homes that would remain affordable for 40 years. The housing could be used for people who qualify for section 8 but who cannot find housing. The Advisory Board was described. Pat mentioned that people with disabilities are affected by the need for affordable housing.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Was emailed to Board.

Regular account: \$5089.10, Emergency Account: \$55.27.

The \$395.64 check reimbursing Bonnie for the Bluehost hosting received its second signature. Check to the US Postal Service for \$64.00 for a 1-year PO box renewal was signed.

### **Website updates**

We will add links for Emergency Preparedness.

Marion will prepare a trail evaluation form that we can use to evaluate local trails and will bring to next meeting. Since there are only a few trails that might be considered suitable for people with disabilities we will evaluate them ourselves and publish on website.

### **Lodging brochure timeline**

We should print it in January for distribution in March. In October we will have a list of places to evaluate including the C of C lists and city and county air bnb. We will set dates for evaluations in October and November.

### **Kah Tai trail**

Pat will encourage Alex W (Parks and Rec) to obtain some more suitable gravel for trail surfaces.

**C of C**

Pat will ask about cost of an ad in the Guide.

**Step Up classes**

Are in Port Ludlow.

**Upcoming Meetings**

1. C of C meeting Sep 25 is at Fort Worden. Pat will ask about Board members.
2. ACA Meeting  
Sep 25. Contracts for the grants are no out yet. But projects have been approed.
3. Voter Accessibility  
Meeting is on September 27 at Auditor's Office
4. NMTAB  
Thursday at 4.30 pm at City Hall

**Next meeting**

October 3 at 2 pm at Community Center

Submitted by Marion Huxtable, substituting for Miranda Nash