Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 3, 2015, 12:00-2:00 pm, Community Center

Present: Pat Teal, Leesa Monroe, Marion Huxtable, Bonnie Bolster

Absent: Julie Duke, Liz Heffern

Guests: N/A

Introductions:

n/a

Additions to agenda

Parking at 1010 Sheridan - a citizen reported difficulty with the disabled parking at this medical clinic. The building has two disabled parking spots, one in the lower parking lot and one in the upper parking lot. Both parking spots have cross hatching only on one side of the parking space so either the driver or the passenger steps out of the vehicle into a planter bed/shrubbery.

The person reporting the problem was going to the upper section of the building; they had a passenger with them who needed to use a wheelchair. The person driving parked over the crosshatching to make more room to open the passenger door; but the passenger exiting the vehicle still had to step into or over the planter bed to get into the wheelchair. Pat will stop by and check the parking lot when she is out walking and take photos.

Methodist Church update - Marion provided an update on the renovation of the Methodist Church. The city posted a notice for people in the neighborhood to attend a meeting to look at the renovation plan and it appears there was no complaints. The church staff will let DASH know when the plan is finalized.

Minutes

Leesa brought minutes from February meeting for review.

Treasurer's Report

DASH received a \$50.00 donation from Julianna Gressley, Marion will send a thank you card.

Regular account balance \$1075.43, emergency account \$533.69.

Hospital Update/Plans at City Hall

Pat spoke with Dick Bratton about setting up a meeting with DASH. Plans for the hospital expansion are delayed as the project is being re-bid. Pat found out a new facilities director has been hired by the hospital, Allan Cooperstone.

Pat suggested meeting at City Hall to look over the project plans before our mid-April meeting with the project manager.

City Business

<u>Mountain View Pool</u> - DASH received a request from the Council of the Blind members to measure the door pressure at the pool. (The request was for an interior door, DASH will measure pressure on all the doors)

<u>Bikes on sidewalks around the hospital</u> - Pat is working on getting the PT city Council to include no bikes on sidewalks around the hospital added to city ordinance.

<u>New Public Works Director</u> - Pat met the new public works director and introduced herself.

Accessible Communities Grant

Anna McEnery asked the grant information be submitted by March 10th. The board reviewed remaining details required to complete the application: number of volunteer hours needed to complete projects, cost of website upgrade, milestone chart and advertising costs.

Pat will talk to Scott Wilson from The Leader about a non-profit rate for paid perspective on the editorial page.

UGN Application

Leesa completed the UGN application and submitted it.

Rotary Funding

Marion is working on the Rotary application.

Additional notes from meeting

- It was suggested when the website is updated DASH add a link to Step UP
- Pat received two phone calls about parking permits and State park fees. She gave the callers what information she had and referred them to the County Auditor's office and our website for further information.
- Bonnie asked board members make sure when doing restaurant evaluations to
 put the date on the assessment form (we will add a space at the top of the form to
 write the date)
- Bonnie could use letter size file folders for DASH paperwork. The folders with two prong fasteners attached would work well. Leesa will check the cost for folders.

Next meeting Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at JC Health Department followed by meeting with Anna McEnery and others at 2:00 pm.