



Meeting Minutes

Rick Kahan Commission for Residents with Disabilities
Regular Meeting: August 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Lower Level EOC Conference Room, Village Hall
50 Raupp Blvd, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

1. Call to Order at 7:45pm

2. Roll Call

- a. **Members Present:** Chair Judy Samuels, Vice Chair Marty Sussman, Commissioners Mark Weiner, Debbie Verson, Matthew Dragon, Avi Samuels, Amy Parker, Lexi Robinson, Beth Shapiro
- b. **Members Not Present:** Commissioners Jack Shapiro, Gowri Magati, Dean Klassman, Leo Njongmeta, Allie Zalay
- c. **Staff Liaison:** Tyler Ankney
- d. **Trustee Liaison:** Trustee Andy Stein

3. Approval of Minutes - July 24, 2024

- a. **Motion:** Commissioner Lexi Robinson
- b. **Second:** Commissioner Amy Parker
- c. **In Favor:** All Present
- d. **Opposed:** None
- e. **Abstain:** None
- f. **Motion passes**

4. Chair Report (Judy Samuels)

- a. The next meeting of the RKCRD is Wednesday September 25, 2024.

5. Trustee(s) Report (Andy Stein)

- a. Trustee Stein is looking forward to the various Buffalo Grove Days events and the wonderful events of the commission throughout the weekend!

6. Staff Liaison Report (Tyler Ankney)

- a. The carnival rides will be free to participants, games we have the option to say do not open. They are open but in the past people have been asked to pay. The Commissioner would not like the games to be available for participants to purchase.
- b. There is an update of waiver for the Buddy Baseball Game and the League. The updated language includes specific protection for the Commissioners as agents of the Village.

7. Working Groups Report

- a. **Ensuring Opportunities for Hands-on Fun(Commissioners Amy Parker and Mark Weiner)**
 - i. **BG Days Fun and Food** (Lead: Commissioner Debbie Verson)
 - 1. Final updates
 - a. Commissioners should arrive by 9am for the event.

- b. Lunch bags are purchased. McDonalds is going to provide paper bags for the cookies. Jimmy Johns will deliver the sandwiches at 10am. The price is \$3 per sandwich for both vegetarian and turkey. We will order 30 vegetarians. Jimmy Johns will provide napkins.
 - i. Commissioner Robinson will pick up the cookies from McDonalds between 8:30-8:45am.
 - ii. Staff Liaison Ankney will pick up and get the chips to bring to the events.
 - iii. Commissioner Weiner will get the water from Walgreens and bring to the event. There about 500 bottles of water that have been donated.
 - iv. Last year, Public Works provided a huge bin/cooler with ice – if that is possible we would like that again. Staff Liaison Ankney will confirm.
 - v. If needed, after packing lunches, we will have access to the golfcarts to help shuttle participants from the carnival to the new pavilion.
 - vi. Vice Chair Sussman and Bev and Commissioner Robinson will run the registration table.
 - vii. It is expected that all Commissioners will stay to help clean up after the event.
 - 2. Registration Update:
 - a. There are currently 86 individual registrants signed up.
 - b. There are currently 291 additional family members signed up.
 - c. There are a total of 377 people registered.
 - ii. **BG Days Buddy Baseball Exhibition Game** (Lead: Commissioner Dean Klassman)
 - 1. Final Updates
 - 2. Commissioner Zalay and A. Samuels will distribute tables to Buddies only.
 - 3. Registration Update:
 - a. Commissioner Robinson and Staff Liaison Ankney will run a registration table at the Exhibition Game to check-in participants and ensure they have signed a waiver to participate.
 - b. There are currently 2 buddies signed up.
 - c. There are currently 38 players; this includes all 22 from the League.
 - d. *The game is currently closed for players as there are no buddies.*
- b. **Other BG Days**
 - i. **Courtesy Shuttle** (Commissioner Allie Zalay)
 - 1. There are some holes in the shuttle schedule.
 - 2. There was a request not to use the path to the skate park with the shuttle.
 - 3. The carts should be kept on the designated path to the handicap lot. The carts should be utilized for those with handicap placards with the designated pickup and drop off spots.
 - 4. Chair Samuels asked if there is a way to have the Rotary have a walking talky available to help communicate if there are individuals who need to be shuttled back to their cars following Bingo. Staff Liaison Ankney will follow-up.
- c. **Buddy Baseball League**
 - i. Registration Update:

1. There are currently 0 buddies signed up for the League.
 2. There are currently 22 players signed up for the League.
 3. *Commissioner Verson inquires - what is considered sufficient coverage for the ratio of buddies to players?* Staff Liaison Ankney will follow-up with the Village attorney.
- d. **Buddy Bowling**
 - e. **Advocating for Inclusion and Access** (Lead: Vice Chair Marty Sussman)
 - f. **Trusted Resource for Accommodations and Services (Sharing of Best Practices and Developing a Resource Guide (Education))** (Lead: Commissioner Allie Zalay)

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

- a. Volunteer or Internship (Commissioner Gowri Magati)

10. Good and Welfare

11. Public Comment

12. Adjournment at 9:08pm

- a. **Motion:** Commissioner Mark Weiner
- b. **Second:** Vice Chair Marty Sussman
- c. **In Favor:** All Present
- d. **Opposed:** None
- e. **Abstain:** None
- f. **Motion passess**

Next Meeting: Wednesday September 25, 2024

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