



RICK KAHEN COMMISSION FOR RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
Wednesday, January 26, 2022

7:00pm call to order
Via Zoom

I. Welcome & Call to Order at 7:00pm

II. Roll Call

- **Members Present:** Judy Samuels, Marty Sussman, Lexi Robinson, Matthew Dragon, Debbie Verson, Allie Zalay, Donna Garfield, Beth Shapiro, Jack Shapiro, Dean Klassman, Avi Samuels, Gowri Magati
- **Members Absent:** Leo Njongmeta, Larry Sweica, David Morton, Mark Weiner
- **Trustee Liaisons Present:** Andy Stein
- **Trustee Liaison Absent:** Les Ottenheimer
- **Present:** Staff Liaison Evan Michel

III. Approval of Minutes with changes:

- Deferred until next meeting 2/23

IV. Chair Report

- None

V. Trustee(s) report

- None

VI. Sub-Committee report

- None

VII. Unfinished Business

- Commission website update – Allie Zalay
 - Village is still waiting to hire a marketing position – waiting on this person to be hired prior to planning
 - Idea to build as a resource for community members
 - Do we need guidelines on which resources we put out there?
 - Drop down with our different events with digital RSVP
 - Include our mission statement as a Commission
 - FAQs
- Identification card update – Marty Sussman
 - No new information at this point
- On hold pending Strategic Planning outcome
 - Business Decal (Cling Ons)
 - Possible subcommittee to focus on long term initiative

VIII. New Business

- Buffalo Grove Lending Closet – Andy Stein
 - Is there interest in helping the Village of Buffalo Grove with having their Lending Closet?
 - Staffed by the Village rather than run by volunteers
 - Currently there are Lending Closets in Vernon Township and Wheeling Township which cover BG residents from Lake and Cook county (both of which are overflowing with equipment)
 - At this time, we will promote the two current Lending Closets rather than seeking to create one in Buffalo Grove
- Strategic Planning – Part 1 – Evan Michel and All Commission Members
 - Structure of a strategic plan
 - *Aspirational to achievable*
 - Vision: what we aspire to be
 - Mission: what we do
 - Core Values: what we must achieve over time
 - Strategic Goals: what we must achieve over time
 - Objectives: how we will get there
 - Initiatives: specific steps we will take
 - Individually think about what direction we want our next “thing” to be that we focus on or do as a Commission and email Judy the topic within 2 weeks

IX. Good and Welfare

- Today is Indian Republic Day!

X. Adjournment at 8:40pm

- Motion: Lexi Robinson
- Second: Marty Sussman
- In Favor: All present
- Opposed: None
- Abstain: None
- *Motion approved*

Next Meeting February 23, 2022

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