



## RICK KAHEN COMMISSION FOR RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

January 25, 2023

7:00pm call to order

Public Works Lower Level Conference Room

51 Raupp Road, Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089

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- I. **Motion to Adjourn the November 16, 2022 meeting (7:05pm)**  
**Motion to Adjourn:** Commissioner Garfield  
**Second:** Commissioner Klassman  
**All In Favor:** Yes
- II. **Welcome & Call to Order**
  - a. Meeting called to order by Chair Samuels. (7:07pm)
  - b. She welcomed the commissioners and wished us the best for the New Year.
- III. **Roll Call**
  - a. **Commissioners Present:** Chair Judy Samuels, Vice Chair Marty Sussman, Commissioners Donna Garfield, Mark Weiner, Avi Samuels, Dean Klassman, Allie Zalay, Jack Shapiro, Leo Njongmeta, Debbie Verson (via zoom)
  - b. **Commissioners Absent:** Commissioners Gowri Magati, Beth Shapiro, Lexi Robinson, Matthew Dragon, David Morton, Larry Sweica,
  - c. **Staff Liaison Present:** Evan Michel
  - d. **Trustee Liaisons Present:** Trustee Dave Weidenfeld
  - e. **Trustee Liaisons Absent:** Trustee Andy Stein
- IV. **Approval of Minutes with Changes:** None
- V. **Chair report** (Judy Samuels)
- VI. **Trustee(s) report** (Andy Stein / David Weidenfeld)
  - a. Trustee Weidenfeld had hoped to bring a speaker from the deaf community. Unfortunately, his interpreter was unable to attend so it will be rescheduled. A commissioner asked how large the deaf community is in Buffalo Grove. Dave did not have the numbers but felt it was small. Dave said next year the Village will conduct a resident survey. Evan mentioned questions should be included to better determine what the population is of individuals with cognitive or physical disabilities. Currently we have few data points on this.
- VII. **Staff Liaison Report** (Evan Michel)
- VIII. **Sub-Committee report**
- IX. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. Strategic Planning Part 2
  - b. Evan had us break into small groups to develop a plan of action to achieve these goals.
    - i. Resource Group : Commissioners Garfield, Allie Zalay, Avi Samuels
    - ii. Event Planning : Dean, Klassman, Mark Weiner, Jack Shapiro, Debbie Verson
    - iii. Advocacy / Access Planning: Chair Judy Samuels, Vice Chair Marty Sussman, Commissioner Leo Njongmeta

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- c. Evan asked for us to send him our goals and process to achieve them. He will accumulate and package it to present at our next meeting so it can be refined. Once we finalize, he will present to the Village Board.

**X. New Business**

**XI. Good and Welfare**

**XII. Comments from the Audience**

**XIII. Adjournment at 8:45pm**

- a. **Motion to Adjourn:** Commissioner Jack Shapiro
- b. **Second:** Commissioner Allie Zalay
- c. **In Favor:** All present
- d. **Opposed:** None
- e. **Abstain:** None

**Next Meeting: Wednesday March 22, 2023**

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