ADVISORY BOARD ON DISABILITY SERVICES
DECEMBER 6, 2019
CIVIC CENTER ROOM 301

MINUTES

MEMBERS
Megan Utley
Matt Hoffmann
Tom Bozikis
Mark Weatherwax
Robert Guzzo
Ramona Harvey

STAFF
Diane Clements-Boyd
Bonnie Fox

The monthly meeting of the Advisory Board on Disability Services was called to order on the above date by Chairman Matthew Hoffmann.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Requests – There were no requests added to the agenda.

Roll was called with the above named board members and staff in attendance.

It was properly moved and seconded by board members Guzzo and Utley respectively to accept the minutes of the November meeting. Board members voted unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:
Board member Guzzo presented information on FINDER, which is an online resource that collects and organizes contact and service information from providers in Indiana. It gives access to the community resources to improve quality of life. This organization will put the disability community in touch with all organizations in Indiana.
Finders was developed in Fort Wayne and it covers a wide range of disabilities and topics that may be of interest. Board member Guzzo suggested that if Finder has access to the Evansville’s resource guide they would check each agency listed in the local guide to see if it is operating. They update the site every three (3) months. He explained if the Advisory Board would send the resource guide to Finder there would be no need to try to have someone update and print the resource guides.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
Director Clements-Boyd reported to board members that board members terms are not up until December 2020.

**OLD BUSINESS:**
2020 Priorities –
The Advisory Board would like to make it a priority to get someone to work with the Advisory Board full time. The director told members she will let the mayor know the intentions of the board and the direction in which the board wants to move by having someone that only does the work of the Advisory Board.

Ordinance Revision –
The revisions were shown to the members. The board members received the AccessAbility letters. There was discussion about how building codes are not synonymous with the ADA regulations. Chairman Hoffmann reported that he would like to speak with Hafer before making decisions on the decal programs.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
Some members showed an interest in attending the next Traveling City Hall to voice their concerns.

It was properly moved and seconded by board members Bozikis and Guzzo respectively to adjourn this December 6, 2019 meeting of the Advisory Board on Disability Services at 12:10 pm.

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**Note** – If something was left out of the minutes please let Bonnie know, the tape did not record anything at all because the batteries were not charged. **SORRY!!**

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