

# MILTON DISABILITY AWARENESS COMMITTEE (MDAC)

## Minutes

Wednesday, March 5, 2008  
Meeting Held at Canine Assistants, Inc.  
3160 Francis Rd., Milton, GA 30004

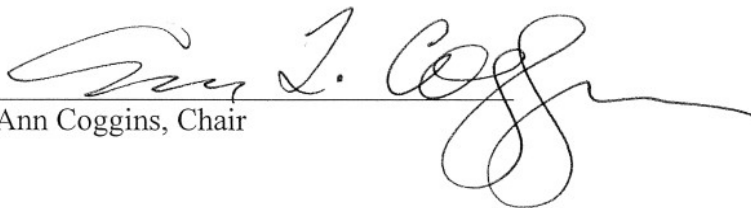
- Introduction and Welcome to guests.
- Discussion of March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting with the Council.
  - Jason is covering the story in Milton Herald, delivered on Wednesday.
  - Voice mail box—Linda will look into. Renee volunteered to update the voicemail. Line will go to Linda's desk. Clarify with city what types of calls go to voicemail.
    - Approval for using address to put on letter head.
    - Prepare city to receive call after our story comes out.
    - Linda will look into approval to get cards, priced \$33 for 500 cards.
  - Website issues...Lisa is ready, but not able to put our group on there until can do all the other groups.
- Updates.
  - Roddy Motes—Director of Public Works, over all things to be fixed, roads, gravel, traffic signals, signs, markings, etc.
  - Pedestrian timing on traffic signals. Roddy can make this more accessible. Will be working with Olga on timing issues on 3 lights she knows of. Audible signals can be retrofit. Roddy can help partner with Eric Gray in Alpharetta. Roddy wants someone as an expert to help decide what we want, not a vendor telling him what is the best. Remember maintenance. \$7500 for one signal... fundraiser?
  - Sidewalk projects—bonds to get them or ask citizens for extra tax to build.
    - Roddy says we need to raise the issues, as city is embracing ditches. Olga remarked that it doesn't have to be a sidewalk to make it accessible for her. Olga could become our "standard."
    - Other issue could be that city allows highways/roads to be built according to grade of the road.
    - Partnering with Alpharetta about intersection at Hwy 9 and Windward. Safety crossing the road.

- Ramps at Bell Memorial Park, received grant and it is locked into bathroom facilities. This is where Renee had visited and provided advice on ramps, parking, bathrooms, etc.
  - Looking at bottom of field, creating van accessible and one car down near tennis courts. Having some issues with drainage.
  - Preliminary, under time schedule to start project beginning of April or so? Probably will be slowed down.
  - Ramps will be 12:1 ratio, the other slopes will be three percent or less. Roddy trying to get site plans for us so that we can review.
  - No knowledge of other recommendations that Renee had given.
  - Olga brought up sidewalks and ability to get to park creates accessibility. Pedestrians have to be able to get to parks safely.
- Permitting? Roddy not involved with this except for traffic signals and striping. Sarah Leaders and Dan review plans.
- Surveys offered electronically/Braille/mailed etc.
- Shopping at Bethany Bend... not accessible walkway and parking in reasonable places. Fight is with landlord... possibly code enforcement could get involved. Grandfathered in everything from Fulton County, Community Development—Tom Wilson. Bring to attention to landlord.
- Standards for Development—everyone has standards... have to make them work together... all disability needs often left out of standards.
- Regular MDAC Meeting Items
  - Review of last month's minutes.
  - Reports from Work Groups.
    - PR and Communication—Olga (technical) and Renee (communication)
      - Getting with Lisa regarding formatting issues. Section 508 standards that websites need to meet. CH2M working together with master plan with all new cities... Johns Creek was supposed to leading and have dropped back behind.
      - What is the time frame? When should we expect, etc.
    - Merchant Education—Mark, Gary, and Laura
      - Roll out in July 26th
    - Deputizing—Marcia and Ann

- Waiting on answer
  - Ann is going to follow up with police officer that is trained in similar program as Ann to see what Milton has had
  - Training coming up in area—Ann will re-send information
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- Other business. None.
  - Next meeting—April 7, 2008.
  - Action items:
    - Linda is going to email city roster.
    - Windward intersection issues—huge PR
    - Get in on Providence Park.
    - Get blueprints of Bell Memorial Park from Roddy.
    - Get time frame from Lisa on 1. Website accessibility. 2. MDAC going on website.
    - Ann contact police re: training/re-send information
    - Linda—check on business cards and voicemail

After no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Date Approved: February 4, 2009

  
Ann Coggins, Chair