

# MILTON DISABILITY AWARENESS COMMITTEE (MDAC)

## Minutes

Wednesday, August 6, 2008

Attendees: Ann Coggins, Olga Espinola, Renee Catanzaro, Gary Arnold, Laura York, Fred Edwards from Planning Commission

Joined for second part of meeting: George Ragsdale, Planning Commission, Kim Horn Planning Commission, Rita Young, Program Manager AADD and Partners in Policy Making

Update from Olga:

- City of Alpharetta coordinated with City of Milton
  - Granite dust path exists between Webb Rd and Kroger
  - Took Olga 1/3 of time to get there and she doesn't have to use her walking stick
  - Thank you to Roddy Motes for coordinating
  - Appears to be accessible for most wheelchairs, major money saver, and low maintenance
- Olga met with Roddy 2x last week near Academy and Milton Ave to check audible lights and other options
- Roddy working to make sure light at Super Target to spec, are they audible?
- Olga will check in at end of each month for updates

Update from Ann:

- CIT (critical incident) training for police is getting started
- Rita Young has agreed to teach it, she is with Atlanta Alliance of Developmental Disabilities
- Ann met with Billy Beckett 2x
- City trying to get ADA coordinator
- Information on networking, building social capital and community leadership

Merchant Education Update:

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- Fred is working on highlighting physical addresses businesses and is going to share this list with us
- Canine Assistants volunteers to help distribute
- CPAC business stakeholders meeting coming up, can we distribute packets at the meetings?
- Divide up businesses
  - Bethany Bend to Deerfield
  - Super Target area down to Windward
  - Windward over to 400

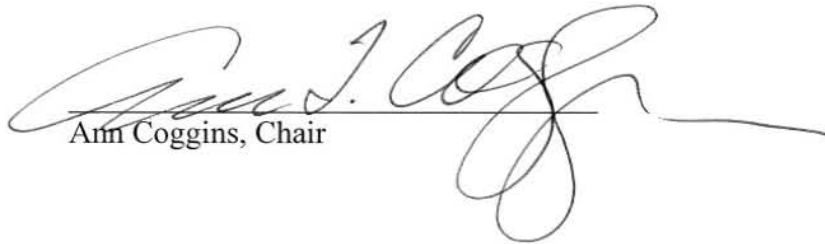
- Crabapple around Birmingham Highway near Milton's and silos
  - Birmingham Highway and Road Intersection and surrounding area
- Home based businesses
  - Would be important for online businesses to know that if their website is accessible, would improve availability
  - Need to come up with materials
- Work on emergency management training for how to get persons out of multi-story buildings (George's example)

Planning Commission Questions

- Community based plan for 2025
- We are stakeholder group that they are meeting with, 18 stakeholders they are hoping to have interviews with to have broad based input to provide to Council
- There will be public meetings to include the whole community once plan in written, we can also contact them via email
- Will be completing meetings by end of August with business meeting as the last.

After no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Date Approved: February 4, 2009

  
Ann Coggins, Chair