

Milton Disabilities Awareness Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 4, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
Milton City Hall

Attendees: Marie Latta, Ann Coggins, Marcia O'Shaughnessy, Linda Blow, Laura York, Olga Espinola, Renee Catanzaro

Resolutions/Ordinances Marie plans to introduce:

- Non-discrimination policy (Feb.)
- Grievance procedure (Feb.)
- Resolution of intention to be accessible (March)
- Accessibility housing ordinance

Discussion of Bike/Ped Path

- Granite dust seems to deteriorate over time and is difficult and expensive to maintain. It also doesn't work for a power wheelchair
- Dan Drake and Marie have spoken re: an alternative path material—"cement stabilized granite dust"
 - Marie to talk to Roddy about where to visit this material to check it out
 - i. Marcia identified a pervious material, has sent info to Dan Drake and will send out to the committee.
- Marcia—Mark Henson and Abby communicated re: path. Would like to locate this communication, possible with Sarah Leaders?
- Discussion of how to be most effective with Bike/Ped Path committee
 - Have an MDAC member on their committee? Have an MDAC liason for them to contact?
 - Important to establish relationship and to communicate expectations, i.e. don't need the whole path accessible, especially if it is a cost issue.

Discussion of ways to be more effective

- Need to establish relationship/rapport with other committees to work with them more effectively and encourage them to come to us for questions/concerns and when they are starting a project so that we can help it be accessible from the start.
- Plan
 - Marie plans to introduce a resolution to the council in March. Use this resolution as a tool to ask council to impact appointees to work with us.
 - Reach out to each committee with a 1 page education handout and visit committees at their meetings. Help engage them by asking what they need from us and suggest ways we can help.
 - Monitor meeting minutes that are posted on the website and visit meetings when applicable.
- Relationship building social event
 - Wine tasting reception at SIP to be planned in next 2 months to be sponsored by MDAC and invite committee members and mayor and council

- Start with social for MDAC members at March meeting?
- Pair social event with fundraiser.
- Ann to talk to SIP owner about possibilities/options
- Linda to send list of committees to contact
 - Top 3 we should be involved with: Parks and Rec, Bike and Ped Path, and Community Development
- We can go on the Milton Trail Goals online and comment about needs
- Ann will contact Dan Drake and Brad Chamber re: Parks and Rec

Disability Day at the Capitol

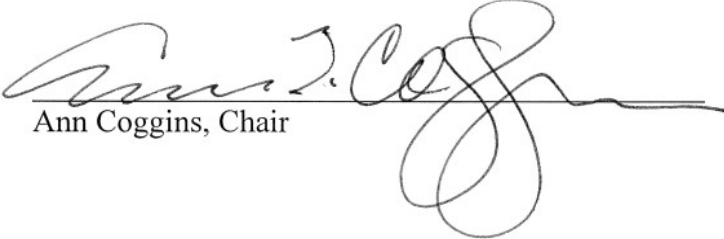
- 2/25
- Group plans to go and would like to meet with our representative.

Action Items

- Marcia-to send info on path material
- Marie-to talk to Roddy about where to visit cement stabilized granite dust, resolution for March,
- Ann-to contact Dan Drake and Brad Chambers and intro Renee, discuss social event with SIP owner
- Ann and Marie-to identify a good one page handout to present to each committee
- Linda-to send list of committees, to check on communication between Mark Henson and Abby
- Renee-to follow up with Ann on being contact re: Parks and Rec
- Laura-continue with Merchant Ed development and communication with Jason re: stories
- All—comment online re: Milton Trails, become more assertive and active

After no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Date Approved: 3-4-09


Ann Coggins, Chair