Disabilities Advisory Commission Minutes August 12, 2013

<u>Present:</u> Vern Richardson, John Teumer, Zach Wood, Diane Hinrichs, Chris Kanowitz, B.J. Michels, and Bettie Greenberg

Absent: Leona Watson, Dave McDanal, John Suess, Larry Abston, Vic Beebe, and Chauncey Taylor

Meeting Called to Order: 6:03 p.m.

Minutes: Zach moved to approve the minutes; John T. seconded the motion. Motion approved.

LIAISON REPORTS

City Council: No report.

DRS: No report.

<u>Staff:</u> Bettie said that the City of Fort Collins was seeking feedback on making Old Town businesses more accessible. Members commented that ramps or accessible features need to be visible. It isn't helpful to place a sign in the window that a ramp is available upon request; many people with disabilities won't approach a business that isn't apparently accessible.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Transportation:</u> Diane provided Bettie with information on the bus stops she reviewed. Members reminded themselves to finish their assigned bus stop reviews.

<u>Public Relations/Communication:</u> Diane reported on the outreach conducted at the ARC store in Loveland. People stopped for various types of handouts. Another trip to ARC is being planned to see if it's worth having regularly scheduled outreaches. The Lions Club also made contact; they would like to have a blindness Disabilities Awareness Event conducted. Diane said she also heard a story about an apartment manager that withholds medicines until rent is paid; she provided the person with Dave McDanel's phone number.

OTHER BUSINESS

<u>Disabilities PrideFest:</u> Disabled Resource Services second annual PrideFest is being held September 7, 2013, in Fort Collins. Bettie said that she would forward event information to the group.

<u>Adjournment:</u> Zach moved to adjourn; Diane seconded the motion. Motion approved. Adjourned: 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bettie Greenberg, Secretary

LOVELAND DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA – September 9, 2013 LIBRARY GERTRUDE SCOTT ROOM 6:00 pm

- I. CALL TO ORDER:
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- III. REPORTS:
 - a. Council
 - b. DRS
 - c. Staff
- IV. REGULAR AGENDA
 - a. Accessibility
 - b. Parks, Recreation and Entertainment
 - c. Transportation
 - i. Bus stop Accessibility
 - ii. Other
 - d. PR/Communication
 - e. Historian
- V. OLD BUSINESS
- VI. NEW BUSINESS

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