

**Disabilities Advisory Commission Minutes  
October 12, 2015**

Present: Zach Wood, John Teumer, Vern Richardson, Chris Kanowitz, John Suess, Taylor Summer, Dave McDanel, Karlee Keller, and Bettie Greenberg

Others Present: Dawn Choate-Sakes, Arc of Larimer County

Absent: B.J. Michels and Chauncey Taylor

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05 p.m.

Minutes: John S. moved to approve the minutes; Karlee seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**Liaison Reports:**

DRS Report: Dave said that the Homeless Connect function, which provides information on services available, has been scheduled. He also mentioned that social security recipients will not receive a cost of living raise in 2016. Dave reported that there is a program for Medicaid recipients that lack transportation which might apply to the person that wanted to apply to DAC. The program provides cab rides after 6:00 p.m. He said to refer people to him, if they would like information on this program.

City Staff: No report.

**Tasks:**

DAC Webpage and Brochure Modifications: Members were fine with the revised webpage that had been sent out. Bettie confirmed that phone numbers and website links are current. DAC's brochure will now be updated to match the webpage.

Education/Outreach: Someone from the Loveland Housing Authority should be at DAC's November meeting. Taylor did a presentation on having a visual impairment.

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The Senior Advisory Board's walk downtown was this morning. Taylor said she attended and provided a lot of input. Bettie mentioned that the City received a complaint about a section of sidewalk on Lincoln south of 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Public Works looked at the sidewalk and is fixing the problem. Bettie also mentioned that the FTA has implemented new rules regarding accommodating passengers. COLT has received information on these requirements.

Disabilities Awareness Events: Bettie discussed that the Community Partnership Division has been providing training on Effective Communication to local non-profits that work in conjunction with the City. The training has been an eye-opener for the non-profits. Many people were unaware of the ADA requirements beyond physical access. One more training is scheduled in November. After this training, many of these non-profits might be interested in participating in Disabilities Awareness Events.

Adjournment: Zach moved to adjourn; John T. seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Adjourned: 07:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Bettie Greenberg, Secretary