

# **Disability Advocacy Committee**

## **Minutes**

For the regular meeting of:

July 13, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall East, 315 E. Acequia

Meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities

**Present:**

**Chair:** Jay Anderson

**Vice Chair:** George Curtis

**Member:** Absent (Don Ajluni)

**Member:** Absent (Kathleen Papove )

**Member:** Absent (Judi Pirnstill)

**Member:** Shelley Jensen

**Member:** Mary Wheeler

**Alternate (2): Vacant**

**Visitor:** Kathleen Curtis, Gavin Stoll

**Staff:** Josh McDonnell, Jason Huckleberry, Chris Young, Gayle Bond, Lorena Soules

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1. **Meeting** was called to order at 5:05 P.M. by Chair Jay Anderson.
  2. **Introductions & Welcome** –
  3. **Public Comment or Written Communication:** None

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of minutes from June8, 2015 meeting (George Curtis, Shelley Jensen)

5. **Housing Element Update** – Josh McDonnell was present to bring an update on the Housing Element. Due to three absences of members the Committee chose to move the update to the August 10 meeting.
6. **Barrier Awareness Day Progress Report and Discussion** – George Curtis: Next meeting we will confirm date, time and name of event. George will attend meeting.

Items for future confirmation:

Number of people representing our Committee at the event. After a head count the budget will be discussed as to amount of money needed for food and where it will be purchased. Subway, which we have used in the past for box lunches, was mentioned.

Don Ajluni confirmed that he can bring wheelchairs from Kaweah Delta Hospital.

The location of the event and our booth inside the Sports Park itself needs to be determined. This will be important so the group can carry out the exercise of allowing non-handicapped persons identify with the disabled and their challenges.

**All Member Comments and Discussion:**

SB 215 was discussed.

Visalia Police Department – Committee is wondering if the PD is still writing citations for handicap parking violations. We will invite Chief Salazar to a future meeting.

Eastside Regional Park was discussed. Map B is being discussed. Jay Anderson is our staff sub-committee attendee.

7. **Adjourn** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 10, 2015