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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
NORTH MESA SENIOR CENTER
1112 N MESA
Friday, May 5, 2017 at 10:30 AM

Voting Members Present: Tom Kirby
Don Neighbors
Deborah Pinching
Machell Tackett
Brenda Wiedenmann

Voting Members Absent: None

Ex-Officio Members Present: Randy Galindo

Ex-Officio Members Absent: None

Others Present: None

1. **ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

Meeting was called to order by **Mr. Kirby**. It was determined there was a quorum.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Ms. Tackett motioned to approve the agenda. **Mr. Kirby** seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes – Kirby, Neighbors, Pinching, Tackett, Wiedenmann; No – None.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING:**

Ms. Tackett motioned to approve the minutes from the April 7, 2017 meeting. **Ms. Pinching** seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes – Kirby, Neighbors, Pinching, Tackett, Wiedenmann; No – None.

4. **DISCUSSION OF CITY ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES:**

Mr. Neighbors inquired about the Planning & Zoning meeting that **Mr. Kirby** was going to attend last month. **Mr. Kirby** said that their letter was read at the beginning of the meeting. The Planning & Zoning Committee told him that they would look into the Disability Board's complaints indicated in the letter and would get back with him. **Mr. Kirby** said he felt that they did not intend to address the issues or get back with him.

Mr. Neighbors suggested that they set up a meeting with the Mayor to discuss the possibility of the Disability Advisory Board being part of the application process for any new development within the city and having to get their concurrence on the approval of the plans. **Mr. Neighbors** suggested that they schedule the meeting with the Mayor before the next Disability Advisory Board meeting on June 2.

Mr. Neighbors informed the board that he had received a phone call regarding a dumpster sitting on the sidewalk near the old Bannister business. Because the dumpster was blocking the sidewalk, they had to go out in the street to go around it, thus making the sidewalk inaccessible.

Mr. Neighbors suggested that they address this issue now before more dumpsters are set on any other sidewalks, thus making any more sidewalks inaccessible. **Mr. Kirby** suggested that they invite the Solid Waste Manager, **Mr. Pickens**, to the next meeting.

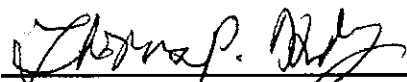
Ms. Tackett asked if **Mr. Kirby** had called the Mayor's office since the April 7 meeting. **Mr. Kirby** said that he had called and given the information on the two new members who wished to join the board as there were two members who turned in their resignation letters. He said he has not heard anything back and will follow-up with the Mayor's office again.

Ms. Pinching asked if anyone had any news or had contacted anyone regarding Friendship Park. She wanted to know if the park was still in the planning stages. **Ms. Wiedenmann** believed they were as money is still being raised for the park. **Mr. Neighbors** said he would contact **Ms. Welch** and invite her to the next meeting to discuss plans for the park and to ensure the new park will be ADA compliant before it is built.

Ms. Tackett asked **Mr. Galindo** if the splash pad at the beach would be open this summer. She said that it was great and she had enjoyed it in the past because it was accessible and it was great. **Mr. Galindo** said that the City has to meet certain State requirements before they can open it again.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further discussion, **Mr. Kirby** motioned to adjourn the meeting. **Ms. Pinching** seconded the motion.



Chairman

6-2-17

Date