

## **Citizens Advisory Board for People with Disabilities**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**November 14, 2023**

The Citizens Advisory Board for People with Disabilities held its meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 3pm at the Abilene Library, 2nd floor Auditorium, 202 Cedar St. Board members present were JoAnne Fluke, Rodney Young, Debra Turner and Katherine Ballard. Parks & Recreation staff present were Lesli Andrews, Director, Richard Rodgers, Assistant Director and Kathy Tarango, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm.

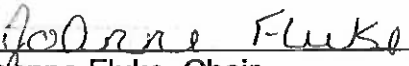
**Public Comment: None.**

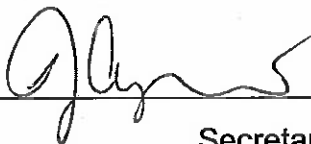
- 1. Acceptance of Minutes from September 12, 2023:** Rodney Young made a motion to approve minutes. Katherine Ballard seconded, with all in favor the motion carried.
- 2. Citylink Update:** Bobbye Sisk gave the update for CityLink. Bobbye talked about the turnover that has recently taken place and looking for qualified candidates to fill these positions. Bobbye discussed Zip Zone. Bobbye will include Zip Zone on CityLink report. Bobbye said she will talk to Software Company about scheduling component in system.
- 3. Disability Awareness Month Proclamation:** Joanne Fluke discussed the proclamation was well received and asked for feedback. The board suggested more publicity regarding Disability Awareness Month and bringing in other organizations that work with people with disabilities. Also discussed the need for more events to be created to bring it to the public's attention.
- 4. Present and Future of Citizens Advisory Board for People with Disabilities:** JoAnne inquired about response to letter to the mayor. JoAnne discussed the Mayor meeting with each board in order to understand board focus and asked for feedback. Board discussion regarding Lighthouse and need for guidelines on what to tell them.
- 5. Presentation Main Library and Tour (Discussion):** Janet Bailey spoke on behalf of the Public Library. Janet presented PowerPoint regarding services provided at the library and library mission statement.

Board suggested braille for the outside door of the elevator and inside as well. Fire alarms with lights for the hearing impaired. Provide sign language books. More publically accessible books from deaf authors. OCR machine.

**Public Comments: None**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm

  
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Joanne Fluke, Chair

  
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Secretary