

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES – DRAFT –
DECEMBER 6, 2006**

A Regular Meeting of the Troy Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was held Wednesday, December 6, 2006, at the lower level Conference Room at City Hall. Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: C Buchanan, member K. Clark, alternate
 A. Done, member C. Geier, member
 P. Hammond, member G. Hyun, student
 P. Manetta, member S. Murphy, alternate
 J. Stewart, member C. Weidman, student
 S. Werpetinski, member

Present: M. Grusnick, staff

Absent: D. Pietron, member EA
 M. Freliga, member EA

ITEM III – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 1, 2006

Werpetinski made a motion that the minutes of November 1, 2006 be approved. Supported by Geier; all voted in favor.

ITEM IV – SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS

At this time, new Committee members Sean Murphy and Kelly Clark were welcomed to the meeting. Sean proceeded with his scheduled presentation on his employer, Disability Made Easy LLC. This Company specializes in barrier free construction and alterations to residential buildings. The Company is a licensed contractor by the State of Michigan and can perform simple work such as replacing grab rails to more complex projects, including the design and installation of accessible kitchens, bathrooms, and barrier free entrance ramps. Emphasis is given to each client's needs and the project is assessed to accommodate the individual.

Kelly is currently a Program Director for Angel's Place. She has been an advocate for the learning and developmentally disabled population for a number of years.

ITEM V – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Buchanan reported that Community Affairs would include the Personal Emergency Preparedness Plan for Persons with Disabilities in the spring edition of Troy Today if it is ready at time of printing. Werpetinski and Hyun volunteered to assist Buchanan in research and development of this plan.
- B. Werpetinski previously reported that she requested to the City Clerk, Tonni Bartholomew that during elections precinct workers not use handicap parking so that these spaces are left available for persons with disabilities coming to vote. She has since forwarded this request to Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service, Inc. to become a recommendation statewide.

ITEM VI – NEW BUSINESS

It was suggested that the Committee review the current Mission Statement prior to final print of the ACPD brochures; is it too lengthy and content unclear? Discussion followed that showed most members favor the current Mission Statement. Buchanan made a motion to not amend or change the current ACPD Mission Statement, supported by Hammond. 9 yes votes, 1 no vote – motion carried.

ITEM VII – REPORTS

- A. Hyun surveyed local pharmacies to find out if they offer delivery for prescription drugs. She reported that Kashat Pharmacy 36949 Dequindre, Kroger Pharmacy, 31 E. Long Lake, and Kroger Pharmacy at SE corner of E. Long Lake and Dequindre do offer prescription drug deliveries. Clark reported that Troy Pharmacy, 2649 Crooks, also offers deliveries. Weidman reported that she polled local grocery stores to see if they offer grocery delivery. She found none that offer this service.
- B. Werpetsinski reported that City Council is awaiting the State’s decision regarding ADA accessibility compliance for group child care homes.

ITEM VIII – PUBLIC COMMENT

None to report.

ITEM IX – MEMBER COMMENT

- A. Hammond reported that the floor repairs have been completed for the house bound trailer park resident.
- B. Werpetsinski verified with Cindy Stewart that a commendation letter from the ACPD could be sent to individuals or businesses that are extraordinary advocates for persons with disabilities.
- C. Hammond and Werpetsinski assisted at the special needs adults crafting event held on 11/30/06. Werpetsinski was disappointed with the materials and planning. She offered her assistance for future crafting events.
- D. Stewart reported Friday, December 8th is the Friday Frolic Holiday Dance. Members who want to volunteer with this event are welcome.

ITEM X – ADJOURNMENT

Buchanan made a motion to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Supported by Hammond. All voted in favor.

Jeff Stewart, Chairperson

Kathy Jearls, Recording Secretary