

MINUTES January 31, 2018
Waynesboro Disability and Aging Board for Independence

Attendance: Members: Donna Adkins, Jim Hall, Jacquie Horton, Jeanie McCutcheon, Marie Overstreet and William Quay. Also Julia Bortle, (City Council Clerk to swear in appointees), Gary Lodoen (who is interested in being appointed as a senior representative) and Charlie Downs (advisor for organizational purposes). Absent: Sasha Duke. (Charlie will follow-up with Sasah.) Charlie explained that Maxine McKinney has declined to be a member and Ellie Woosley also who has declined at this time due to various personal reasons. When Gary is appointed there is still an open position. Jeannie will ask a retired special education teacher about her possible interest to be appointed.

Julia distributed copies of City Ordinance Number 2016-75 which established DABI as of November 28, 2016 and effective as of December 8, 2016. After formal adoption the City advertised and solicited interest for appointment. Members also received a copy of the “Waynesboro Boards and Commissions Handbook”. Charlie distributed copies of the attached Agenda and explained that he attended to help get DABI organized and in the future will be available as a resource. He presented history of the various disability and aging advocacy groups, some of their past programs and activities and suggested ideas for future agendas.

Members eagerly volunteered to the leadership positions and agreed on the meeting dates, time and place as described in the attached Roster, Officers and Meeting Schedule. To get a better understanding of the needs of the populations which the Board represents and to become more familiar with leadership of the agency/business/non-profit services for these populations, it was agreed to invite a guest speaker to each meeting for a 20 – 30 minute orientation to their services.

Among several possible topics Charlie stated Staunton, Augusta and Waynesboro (SAW) area has had the greatest number of reported senior abuse, neglect and financial exploitation allegations in the state for several years with 8 full time social workers as part of the Ault Protective Services staff. It was agreed to invite Nicole Medina, APS supervisor, to the February 13 meeting. If she is not available, she will be asked to arrange for another APS staff member to be present.

Gary volunteered to be the DABI member who will invite speakers. For the February meeting Nicole Medina can be reached at the Waynesboro Social Services office, 1200 Shenandoah Avenue, telephone number 942-6646 or at email: nicole.medina@dss.virginia.gov.

Respectively submitted,

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