

MINUTES July 18, 2018
Waynesboro Disability and Aging Board for Independence

Attendance: Members: Jeanie McCutcheon, Jim Hall, Marie Overstreet, Donna Adkins, Ray LaFlace, Chrissy Johnston, Absent: Sasha Duke. Several visitors from Union Baptist church and the community.

Presentation:

Joe Honbarrier from Building and Zoning for the City of Waynesboro shared regarding ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) and state building codes. Mr. Honbarrier defined the difference between ADA, a Federal law administered through the Dept. of Justice, and State of Virginia building codes. The ADA passed in 1990 has three “titles’ Title 1 Employment, Title 2 Public Building, Private, commercial buildings. The state of Virginia building code is based on the International Building Code with amendments. He discussed how the code differentiates between existing structures and additions and remodeling of those structures. The Virginia Rehab Code has three levels. Level 1 relates to changing of materials, i.e. wall coverings and flooring, Level 2 Remodeling and additions to existing structures and Level 3 remodeling of more than 50% of the structure or changing of use of the structures. Mr. Honbarrier answered several questions related to remodeling of existing structures and building permits.

Other business:

- The committee discussed the need for a secretary. Jim Hall severed as secretary for this meeting and members were asked to consider serving and accepting a volunteer at our Aug 15 meeting.
- The need of and additional member was discussed. Chrissy Johnston mentioned that she was still considering an employee from Vector but had not decided if it would create a conflict of interest. A visitor to the meeting expressed interest in serving. Her contact information was taken down and will be forwarded.
- Jim Hall passed out information on VOPA now called “*The disAbility Law Center of Virginia*”
- Marie Overstreet shared a willingness to host the committee at her house to show how a house designed and built for a person with disabilities would look like. The committee discussed the possibility of a time to do a field trip to her home.
- The committee discussed the possibilities of a couple future presenters, no decisions was made.
- Ray LaFlace shared he had preliminary contacts on the issue of Waynesboro property taxes assessments for senior citizens. He will continue his attempts get meetings with individuals discuss those concerns.
- Committee individuals shared personal stories lifting up issues facing relevant to aging.
- The next meeting will be at Vector Industries on Aug. 15 @ 12:00 and will include a tour of the facility.

Submitted by Jim Hall
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