

**CITY OF FISHERS
FISHERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
Launch Fishers Theater
MINUTES
June 21, 2023**

The meeting of the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability convened at 5:30 p.m.

A roll call was taken. Members present: Cecilia Coble, Kelly Hartman, Wilbur Sutton, Darcy Keith, Chrissy Pogue, Michelle Steltz, Shelby Slowik and Ross Hilleary. Stacy Oldham was not present. Also present: Monica Heltz, Roscoe Brown, Yollanda Kincaid, Amanda Sexton, Brad Waugh, Tracy Gaynor, Spencer Hoffman, Kay Prange

Ms. Coble called the meeting to order.

Darcy Keith made a motion to approve the April 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Kelly Hartman. The motion passed 8-0.

Roscoe Brown, Transportation Director, and Yollanda Kincaid, President/CEO of Janus Developmental Services, presented the Hamilton County Express Transportation Update. Mr. Brown's presentation is attached.



Hamilton County
Express - Fishers Power Point Presentation 06/20/2023.pptx

Monica Heltz, Public Health Director, Fishers Health Department, presented a walkthrough of the Stigma Free Fishers website, showing an assessment. The content is powered by Credible Mind with additional City of Fishers content.

Committee Updates

- a. Housing – Wilbur Sutton** – the cost of land, labor, and materials is prohibitive. A Land Trust (such as Hamilton County Collective) would own the land.
- b. Employment – Chrissy Pogue and Michelle Steltz**
Continued education of employers, reverse job fair on 10/6, events at OPG
- c. Community Supports & Services – Kelly Hartman**
OTB Grand Opening on 7/10. Community Center will be located at 121st and Hoosier Road. There are rate increases from the State and Fed for in-home services and a family support waiver cap.
- d. Networking/Social Opportunities – Darcy Keith** –
Welcoming, mentoring, support groups were discussed. Disability Day at Fishers Farmers Market. She has a spreadsheet of all the Awareness Days. Ally tool kits were discussed.

Staff Communications – Spark! Fishers is this weekend. Accessibility for parking and sensory bags were discussed. Cecilia suggested that listening devices and sensory bags be available at concerts. The Community calendar- <https://www.thisisfishers.com/> is updated. Citizens are empowered to add to the calendar.

Geist Waterfront Park is open and will have a beach access mat. Kudos to Parks.

Announcements- RHI is holding an Adaptive Sports Expo on 8/12. The OTB fundraiser will be 10/6.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.