



Disabilities Council of Dubuque County

Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Jun 14, 2022

1. Welcome – Ann Cameron Williams, Dubuque County, Mental Health and Disabilities Department
2. Minutes reviewed, approved
3. Guest speaker: City of Dubuque Mayor Brad Cavenagh. Mayor Cavenagh opened up an interactive discussion about disability issues. Council members discussed several issues, including access for people with mobility impairments, lack of livable competitively paid jobs for people with disabilities, lack of advanced education opportunities, lack of timely transportation, and lack of inclusion of perspectives of people with disabilities when important decisions are being made at the government level. The Mayor promised to check into how many employees at the City have disabilities, including intellectual disabilities. Lively, respectful conversation.
4. Dubuque County Disabilities and Mental Health Needs Survey
 - a. AC informed the Council that the Survey was out in the field and was receiving a healthy response from people in Dubuque County. More surveys are coming in. Because Jason Rubel connected with the Archdiocese (Catholic Church) of this region, they had requested an extension to the closing of the survey in order to include information about the survey in church bulletins up until June 30, 2022. AC approved the extension.
5. Young Adults with Disabilities Civic Service Group
 - a. Tabled until the next meeting as representatives from the Committee were not in attendance.
6. Public Comments
 - a. No public comments

7. Planning for next Council Meeting

- a. Meetings will be held in the Chapel at Hillcrest moving forward, with ZOOM access.