



Commission on Inclusion

Monday, January 31, 2022 at 4:45 pm

Council Chambers at Stow City Hall

Members Present: Kellie Dziemianzuk, Chairperson
Jason Dresden, Vice Chairperson
Jason Gates
Mary Bernadette Moxley
Tricia Streharsky
Pamela J. Wind, phoned in to meeting

Others Present: Gail Koritansky, Director of Stow Munroe Falls Library
Kitreal Chin, Hearts for Music

Members Absent: Bruce Bach
Jennifer McCormick

Call to Order

The meeting called to order at 4:46 pm in Council Chambers at Stow City Hall.

Presentation by Kitreal Chin, Hearts for Music a Special Needs Orchestra for Special People

Mr. Chin introduced his group called Hearts for Music which is a 501 (c) (3) created to provide youth , teens and young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities find a safe, non-judgmental and friendly place to create music as a team or ensemble.

Hearts for Music Mission statement

Transforming disabilities into abilities with music.

Performances

To see actual performances please go to www.heartsformusic.org as this group has been featured with the Akron symphony as well.

Mr. Chin wanted to educate the Commission with this program. Kellie stated that Hearts with Music would be great in our community.

Dementia Training

Tricia Streharsky would like to see the community offering some of the different dementia training programs that are out there, as there is a large correlation with people with different needs and dementia.

Member Vacancy

The Commission has a vacancy to fill and Teresa will contact previous applicants to see if they have an interest.

Wheelchair Ramp for the Football field at SMFHS

Kellie stated that there are other schools in the area that have a wheelchair ramp at their football fields so the person does not have to be on the gravel and not be able to see any of the games or events.

She will contact the schools and see if she can get a meeting put together with Mayor Pribonic and the schools to discuss this with Commission on Inclusion.

Gail Koritansky, Director of Stow Munroe Falls Library

The Commission is so happy that Gail will be part of our group. SMF Library is a huge resource to the community.

Meeting Dates for the Commission

The Commission discussed changing the meeting dates to the **4th Wednesday of each month at 5:15 pm, at Stow City Hall**. Kellie mad a motion to change the Commission dates and Jason Gates seconded the motion, upon voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

Next Meeting

The Commission on Inclusion's next meeting will be on **Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 5:15 in Council Chambers at Stow City Hall**.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

