Mayors committee for people with disabilities
March 20, 2019

Attendees: Marti, Catherine, Steve, Sammie, Ada
Guest: Jen Red Bear

ADA Picnic- The Mayor’s office pays for the ADA picnic. Jen will forward the flier to the booth vendors that participated in the picnic in the past. Ask Becky Noble if we could have the “track chair” at the picnic.

Hearts of Glass/ The Rider/ Wild Prairie Rose films being shown at the Black Hills Film Festival. Go to www.blackhillsfilmfestival.org for more information

July 11 there will be an ADA training. Talk to Catherine if you want to be involved.

Catherine is going to the Business Leadership convention in Chicago in July. She would like our committee to consider giving her some expense money, given that she will be meeting with national groups regarding our area of concern. We will discuss in April.

A check needs to be written to Melanie for the frame.

Social Media- Marti is posting anything that she runs across that would be of interest to people going to our page.

Black Hills and Badlands- they will ask their members to complete the initial form. Any business that indicates that they are handicap accessible with then be given our questions.

Ski for Light comments brought to us by Sammie:
155 attendees/ 200 volunteers
Concerns of people interviewed include: Parking during the rally and summer nights, bathroom stall sizes, promote ski for light state wide, curb cuts, electrical cords at summer nights.

Sammie will follow up with Eric from the School for the Blind on their program that they do that gives scholarship $$ to a person with a disability to acquire post high school training. We thought we might partner with a local agency to make that happen.

Mineral Palace accommodates the Ski for Light attendees. We want to look into the things they do to help that population and consider them for the next Mayor’s Award.

Burning Answers Day in the spring (Aberdeen does this)- 5th graders go through a wheel chair obstacle course, visually impaired activities, autism awareness. Something to consider in Rapid.

See if we could have vinyl phone number signs for the handicap parking signs: Please call/ text a picture to: &%$-$&^$$ if this parking spot was not used correctly, or something like that.