

**Metro Area Mayors' Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 19, 2017**

Present: Tammy DeSautel, Jerry Christiansen, Terry Romine, Kandy Jenkins, Steve Pederson, Ed Larson, Vicky Bogart, Keith Bjornson and Sherry Bjornson

- 1) Steve Pederson called the meeting to order.
- 2) Introduction of members and agenda
- 3) **Approval of today's agenda:** Terry Romine made the motion to approve the agenda, Keith Bjornson second the motion, motion passed.
- 4) **Treasurer's Report:** Steve Pederson provided the report. Please see the attachment for details. Jerry Christiansen made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Terry Romine second the motion, motion passed.
- 5) **Review of Sub Committee reports -**
  - a) Grace Tveiten Grant Report; There are no new grant applications.
  - b) COPP Program/Transportation Committee; Jerry Christiansen reported that WDAY did a news segment on ADA Parking. Link: <http://www.wday.com/news/4341640-advocacy-group-pushes-better-handicap-accessible-parking-spots>. Keith and Jerry sent a letter to city attorney regarding parking in downtown Fargo. FYI; Parking commission meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 9:00am at city hall. Jerry & Keith received a letter from the city attorney thanking them for pointing out parking issues in downtown Fargo. The letter pointed out that the city was at risk of an ADA lawsuit. They will be meeting with West Acres regarding their parking lot to make corrections. Scott Stensvold is the ADA coordinator for the City of Fargo. Jerry will invite him to our meetings
- 6) **New Business:**
  - a) Business After Hours is Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>. Steve and Tammy will be working at the MAMC Booth to promote DEAM and parking lot guidelines.
  - b) Social Media: Keith is going to visit with Alex who is a grad student at NDSU. Alex will meet with the MAMC during the November meeting.
  - c) Talked about not having a December meeting because of the Christmas holiday being so close to our meeting date and expected low attendance. We will bring it up at the November meeting.
- 7) **Announcements**
  - a) CREATE - VTC is developing a program for 18-24 yr. old's out of high school to get more opportunities for employment. There will be a town hall meeting October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Boys Scouts office at 6:30.
  - b) Art of Freedom was a success.
  - c) VTC is selling tickets for It's A Wonderful Night at West Acres mall for \$5.00.
- 8) Meeting was adjourn

The next meeting will be held Thursday, November 16th, 12-1 at Fryn'Pan, Fargo. Submitted by Tammy DeSautel