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## **BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION**

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## **Barnstable Disability Commission**

Minutes of 9/19/07

In Attendance: Linda Cook; Bill Cole; Frank Maioli; Jean Boyle; Raye Kaddy; Paul Nevosh; Al Melcher Absent: Jim Berks; Susan Bethel

## Called to order by Chairperson Al Melcher – 12:13

Bill Cole - Motion to accept minutes of August 15, 2007 meeting ; Seconded by Linda Cook; Correction made by Bill Cole. The wording at the top of page two of the August 15<sup>th</sup> minutes should read "Honor Flight" (instead of Honest Light). Unanimous Treasurer's report: no report; unable to access data in time for the meeting Activities: Raye Kaddy will ask the Sturgis High School Volunteer coordinator if any students will be available to assist in the BDC Office in the next few months. Paul Nevosh asked about the prospect of having the Sturgis students become involved in community access training to become monitors.

Scholarship: The process went well this year. Everyone involved received reimbursement checks.

Survey: Jean Boyle said a list of access projects had been sent to DPW, the Highway Dept. and Recreation. She asked for a status of the work. Veteran's Beach is a top priority. Bill Cole contacted Steve Sundelin via text message while the meeting was ongoing. He received a response indicating the following: Hamblin Pond has had new aluminum installations; Veteran's has design and permitting thus far; Hathaway's Pond is in the design stage; Renovations at West Barnstable have been completed for bath accessories and ADA access; Rails have been redone at Centerville Recreation and Craigville, Kalmus.

Vice Chair: this position has been eliminated, thus, can be deleted from future agendas. Also, the title noted on the top of the BDC letterhead should be changed.

New Business: Paul Nevosh suggested there be a formal process to recognize all volunteers in the Town at least on a 5 year basis. Bill Cole suggested sending a letter to Paul Sullivan head of Personnel board.

Chairperson's report: Linda Cook has been working on business cards for BDC members to pass out; each member to be given 25 cards to start a way to enhance public relations for the commission.

Old business Honor Flights information was handed out by Frank Maioli. Discussion ensued as to how BDC might assist this group. Jean Boyle suggested a finance committee meeting be held and this topic put on the agenda.

Al Melcher, Sid Chase, and Frank Maioli are meeting on Thursday to discuss how Honor Flights might be used on Cape Cod. Frank Maioli asked commissioners to spread the word and encourage donors.

Paul Nevosh distributed copy of Cape Cod Disability Access publication and asked if BDC should reconsider previous discussion and draft a new publication for the Town. Jean Boyle asked if there is a procedure that allows a warning to businesses as opposed to a complaint when infractions related to access regulations occur. It was agreed that Jean Boyle and Bill Cole will call Tom Perry, the building inspector to discuss.

Motion to adjourn @1:25 Raye Kaddy; seconded Bill Cole

Respectfully submitted, Raye Kaddy September 28, 2007