



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission

Minutes

January 21, 2015

11:30 a.m.

Town Hall

Selectmen's Conference Room

367 Main Street Hyannis, MA 02601

Meeting called to order at 12:22 p.m.

Members present: Sheila Mulcahy, Chair; Ann Canedy, Town Council Liaison; Raye Kaddy; Jean Boyle; Merrill Blum; Anne Mazzola; and Tammy Cunningham.

Others present: Thomas Lynch, Town Manager; Mark Ells, Asst. Town Manager; Patti Machado, Director of Leisure Services; Paul Logan, Paula Bryagy; Michelle Davis, Recreation; Jeff Dougan, Massachusetts Office of Disability; Jessica Sylver, Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce.

Review of minutes of November 19, 2014 - Raye Kaddy made a motion to approve, Anne Mazzola seconded. Unanimous.

Recruitment of New Members – Paul Logan provided an update on the status of his application for membership. Councilor Canedy also provided information on the process, as well as an update.

A suggestion was made that someone from the Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce may wish to join the Commission.

Other business – The Town Council voted on the acceptance of the gift from Loop Beach to be used towards the building of a new ramp. Barnstable Disability Commission has designated funds to be donated towards this project.

Public Comment - Paul Logan discussed with the Commission a bylaw that was adopted in the Town of Dennis which requires businesses to comply with the ADA laws. If a business is unable to comply due to a hardship they have the ability to apply for a waiver. He added he would like to see this bylaw adopted within the Town of Barnstable.

Councilor Canedy stated this is a process that Building department follows when there is a change of use, but does not believe occurs for common victuallar applications.

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A discussion was then held with the Commission and Jeff Dougan on offering the Community Access Monitoring training to all communities on Cape Cod.

Jeff Dougan added there is an option for a one day training for town employees focusing on the critical elements of the ADA.

Office Report – An office report update was provided to the Commission.

Scholarships – An update was provided on the status of scholarships from Sturgis and Barnstable High School.

Treasurers Report – An up to date treasurers report was distributed. Raye Kaddy commented the Commission has an obligation to use the funds and allow them to linger. It was determined a new sub committee would be created and a meeting would be scheduled for February to discuss expenditure of the funds.

A discussion was then held on projects for possible funding and criteria used when identifying appropriate expenditures of handicap parking funds.

A brief discussion was held on the adaptive fair to be held at HYCC. Follow up with Joe Izzo.

A brief discussion was held on future funding of portable toilets along with companies to consider contacting.

Problem Resolution Flow Chart – A copy of the problem resolution flow chart was distributed to those present.

Development of policies & procedures for the disbursement of funds – Discussion to be held during the next meeting.

Merrill Blum made a motion to adjourn at 1:30 p.m., Raye Kaddy seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L. Cunningham

**The mission of the Barnstable Disability Commission
is to advise and guide the Town of Barnstable and the general public regarding
issues of accessibility in accordance with the American's With Disabilities Act (ADA)**

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