



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission Minutes

April 15, 2009

Attendees:

Linda Cook; Al Melcher; Paul Nevosh; Susan Bethel; Coreen Brinckerhoff; Jean Boyle; Jim Berks; Raye Kaddy; Bill Cole; Samantha Jones

Meeting called to order @ 12:05

On a motion by Raye Kaddy, seconded by Jean Boyle, the Commission VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2009 meeting.

New Business: Samantha Jones from the Luke Vincent Powers Foundation made a presentation about the Luke's Love boundless playground that is being built in West Barnstable. Various sponsorship opportunities were presented to the Commission.

Scholarship – Linda Cook reported that the scholarship process was moving along.

Finance Report: Raye Kaddy passed out a finance proposal worksheet to help facilitate the prioritization of projects for BDC funding.

There was a discussion of the accessibility needs of the new Hyannis Youth and Community Center (HYCC). One suggestion was the purchase of an adaptive pinball machine. The projected cost of the item was \$6,790.

The other topics discussed under the financial proposal worksheet were:

Maintenance of the Fishing Deck at Dowse's Beach

Office address – J. F. Kennedy Museum, Hyannis, MA 02601

Transportation Costs of Commission Members
Purchase of Wheelchairs for Town Buildings/Beaches
Donation to the Luke's Love project
Purchase of an automatic door opener of the side door of the JFK building

On a motion by Jean Boyle, seconded by Linda Cook, the Commission VOTED unanimously to donate \$1,000.00 to the Luke's Love project for the sponsorship of one handicapped accessible picnic table.

The proposal for transportation costs was withdrawn.

The purchase of wheelchairs was tabled to a later meeting.

On a motion by Raye Kaddy, seconded by Paul Nevosh, the Commission VOTED unanimously to approve up to \$3,500 for the purchase and installation of an automatic door opener for the side door of the JFK Museum.

On a motion by Paul Nevosh, seconded by Bill Cole, the Commission VOTED 7-2 to table any decisions related to the Commission's donation to the HYCC until representatives of the Commission have had the opportunity to have a walk-through of the facility.

On a motion by Raye Kaddy, seconded by Jean Boyle, the Commission VOTED unanimously to spend \$2,700 to seal the deck and rails of the Dowse's Beach Fishing Deck.

There was a presentation of a \$500.00 check from the Commission to Sherry Bergeron from the Audible Local Ledger. Ms. Bergeron thanked the Commission for their generous donation.

Office Report : N/A

On-going: Revised Commission goals were passed out by Jean Boyle. Members were asked to review the goals and be prepared to discuss them at the May Commission meeting.

Al Melcher thanked Raye Kaddy for conducting the meeting.

Motion to adjourn: @ 1:40 by Jean Boyle seconded by Linda Cook; unanimous

The next meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2009

GOALS and OBJECTIVES
Barnstable Disability Commission
Revised April 15, 2009

Time Line

1. **Building Better Relationships:** Chairperson: Bill Cole. Committee: Paul Nevosh and Jim Berks
 - a. Town Departments (Building, Zoning, Board of Appeals, Conservation, Town Manager, Senior Center, etc.) Ongoing
 - b. Other groups/charities serving disabled population (CORD, MAB, MS, DMR, Easter Seals, Hyannis & Cape Cod Chamber and Hyannis Chambers of Commerce) Ongoing
 - c. Written summary annually of BDC accomplishments to designated Town recipients. 1 x year
2. **Special Projects – Access:**
 - a. Conduct annual review of beaches and submit reports (Al M. & Jean B.) 1 x year
 - b. Inventory surf chairs (numbers and condition) (Al M. & Jean B.) winter
 - c. Contact with Recreation Dept. regarding above (Al M. & Jean B.) winter
 - d. 911 Disability Indicator for First Responders (Paul N., Frank M. & Jim B.) Ongoing
 - e. Hard of Hearing Assistance (for all Town sponsored meetings within Town) Ongoing
(Tammy ?)
 - f. Election Facilities (Paul N. with Linda Hutchinrider) ?
 - g. Playgrounds (Paul N. Jean B., and Patty Machado) ?
 - h. Town Buildings (Bill Cole) ?
 - i. Airports (Paul Nevosh) ?
 - j. Town Schools (Jean B., Linda C., Coreen B.) ?
 - k. Golf Courses, Town owned (Paul Nevosh) ?
 - l. Charter & Private Schools (Jean B., Linda C. & Rae K.) ?
 - m. Restaurants (Al M. w/ Chamber of Commerce & Committee) ?
 - n. Hotels & Motels (Paul N. & Committee to be named) ?
 - o. Malls: Cape Cod, Festival, Stop & Shop, K Mart (Jim Berks) ?
3. **Web Site:** Bill Cole, Tammy Cunningham and Linda Cook
4. **Cape TV on Handicap Access:** Al Melcher (Seniors helpng Seniors?)
5. **Town Accessibility Guide:** To be printed upon completion of #2 ?
6. **Scholarships:** Chairperson: Linda Cook
 - a. Present to Commission for approval June '09
 - b. Commission to vote and approve amounts/schools, etc. June '09
7. **Public Relations/Public Education** Ongoing