



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION MINUTES

January 18, 2012

Minutes

11:30 a.m.

Hyannis Youth & Community Center, Hyannis, MA 02601

ATTENDEES: Raye Kaddy, Chair, Merrill Blum, Jim Berks, Jean Boyle, Pat Andres, Anne Mazzola, Tammy Cunningham, Treasurer/Secretary. Also Present: Patti Machado, Leisure Recreation Director, John Gleason, Program Coordinator, Nancy White, and Dick Andres, resident.

Meeting called to order at 11:30 A.M.

Public Comment – None

Chair Kaddy welcomed new member, Merrill Blum to the Disability Commission. Mr. Blum stated he has been involved with Easter Seals and Veterans outreach.

Chair Kaddy thanked the Members for their hard work and efforts.

Minutes of November 16, 2011 – Jean Boyle moved to approve as amended, Anne Mazzola seconded. Unanimous.

Minutes of November 15, 2011 – Pat Andres moved to approve, Jim Berks seconded. Unanimous.

Treasurer's Report – Tammy reported on December and January's financial activity. Financial statements were distributed to those present. A discussion was held on the workings of the handicap parking patrol fund and the ticketing process. *Action item:*

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Tammy to research what other Cape communities are charging for handicap parking fines.

Update on Projects:

Dining guide – Chair Kaddy stated she had emailed Elizabeth Wurfbain. The survey was going to be handed out to Main Street restaurant owners at the Main Street BID meeting of January 8, 2012.

Chair Kaddy stated she wrote a brief article for the Chamber in the Flagship.

Curb cut at Barnstable High School – The curb cut in the sidewalk in front of Barnstable High School has been completed. Linda Cooke wrote a letter of thanks to the Department of Public Works. (letter attached)

Jean Boyle provided an 2011 year end report from the access survey committee.

Goals for 2012 – Chair Kaddy sent members a document outlining goals for the 2012 year. A Discussion will be held during the March meeting.

Bylaws status – Process of being updated and will be brought forward for a vote at the March meeting.

Kalmus Beach – The handrails have been replaced in the front and back of the bath house. Patti Machado commented the handrails look beautiful.

Long Pasture Survey – Jim stated Long Pasture Survey, Neil Road, and Catuamet, do not recommend building as it is not accessible to any chairs. Skunknet River and Ashumet renovate this Fall. It is the last one to renovated by the Audubon. It was commented that the BDC does not feel we can provide any amount of money to these projects.

Update on Boardwalk at Long Beach – Jim Berks stated the estimate is \$22,000. The building will be funded from the land management budget.

Meeting with Representative Vieira and Randy Hunt - Councilor Canedy spoke on our behalf of house bill 2883. A letter was sent outlining concerns with the bill. *Action item:* Contact Councilor Canedy to determine the status.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Today's Presentation and Training Session: Demonstration and discussion: Beach devices and products to enhance access for beach – goers with mobility issues” (conducted in partnership with the Hyannis Youth Center Staff)

Nancy White presented information on companies and products specializing in accessibility paths for placement beach surfaces.

Respectfully submitted: Tammy Cunningham