



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission
Minutes
January 15, 2020
Hyannis Youth & Community Center
141 Bassett Lane Hyannis, MA 02601

Meeting called to order at 10 a.m.

Members present: Marc Brunco, Chair; Linda McKinney; Tammy Cunningham; Stephen Spillane; and Sheila Mulcahy. Paul Logan participated via remote conference call.

Guests presents: Paula Bryagy, Bryan Lauzon, General Foreman, Structures & Grounds; Patricia Machado, Recreation Director, Recreation, and Mona Solmonte, Parking Manager & Transportation Coordinator, Planning & Development.

Public Comment – Paula Bryagy provided an update on the Post Office located in Barnstable on Route 6A. Renovations will be made to the parking lot.

Mona Solmonte provided a brief update on the current status of enforcement and handicap parking violations. She commented that parking continues to issue a lot of citations at the Mall. Patti Machado recommended the BDC and Parking work with channel 18 on filming informational videos on legal handicap parking, as well messages on facebook. Parking in the access aisle continues to be a big infraction with handicap parking.

Sheila Mulcahy commented she would be attending the women's march and will be on the disability platform. Marc Brunco shared he is involved with an organization in Boston where he will be guiding and advising on matters relating to access.

Discussion with Steven Sundelin, Structures & Grounds – Bryan Lauzon was present for the discussion. He advised the monies they are seeking are for a handicap ramp located at Dowses' Beach which is attached to a concrete walkway. The materials will be made with Azek which is a composite. Patti Machado commented a lot of first aid is rendered at the beaches relating to splinters from the wood ramps. The color is gray which is not as hot as others. The ramp is flush with the beach so no railing is required.

Paul Logan made a motion to contribute \$5000 towards the railing with the stipulation that Structures & Grounds issue a press release on the collaboration between the BDC and S & G on the building of the ramp, Steve Spillane seconded. Discussion: after much discussion on the contribution amount, Paul Logan amended his motion to contribute \$7053.68 towards the building of the ramp, Steve Spillane seconded. Unanimous.

Bryan commented the next ramp they will be looking to update is at Kalmus beach, but due to the length they will conduct the repairs in sections.

Discussion on Craigville Beach Parking lot - Patti Machado advised the BDC that only the left side of the parking lot is going to be repaved at Craigville Beach this year. She added that at each of the meetings she has attended she has recommended DPW involve the BDC in discussions on striping and handicap parking. Paul Logan commented that there is a way that DPW could approach the project that may yield them more spaces. The BDC stated they have asked DPW to involve them in projects where access is factored in and DPW has confirmed they will involve them in discussions. To date DPW has not approached or invited any members of the BDC to meetings involving the Craigville Beach parking lot.

Approval of the minutes of November 20, 2019 – Sheila Mulcahy moved to approve as amended, Paul Logan seconded. Unanimous.

Financial Report – Current balance is \$68,198.05.

Discussion on the proposed amendments to the Barnstable Disability Commission By – Laws – Discussion was held on adding language relating remote participation. Sheila Mulcahy moved to amendments with insertion in the by-laws, Linda McKinney seconded. Unanimous.

Discussion on surveying of town properties – The BDC held a brief discussion and identified the most important thing is to keep the dialogue open.

Other business – Marc Brunco commented that he was copied on an email that former member Sarah Nicholson had made in response to an email from a consultant she had received. Marc advised Sarah that she is no longer a member of the Barnstable Disability Commission and should be referring all inquiries to the Commission for response.

Variations – Variance with the Kettle Ho is still open. In addition a variance was received from the YMCA.

Add to next months agenda voting of a Vice Chair.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L. Cunningham

**The objective 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)**