



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission
Minutes
September 15, 2021
via Zoom from 10 am to 12 pm

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Paul Logan; Chair, Sheila Mulcahy; Vice Chair, Linda McKinney, and Michael Hersey.

Others Present: Mona Solmonte, Parking Program Manager and Tammy Cunningham, Asst. HR Director and staff liaison.

Approval of the minutes of August 18, 2021 – Linda McKinney made a motion to approve as amended, Sheila Mulcahy seconded. Unanimous.

Financial Report – Current balance is \$48,560.61

MOD Grant Update – Tammy Cunningham and Paul Logan continue to meet weekly with IHCD to discuss the status of the project. Within the next couple of weeks the final drafts will be submitted to the Town which will then be released to the public for review and comment.

Paul Logan asked Tammy Cunningham to send the report link to the members for their review and comments.

Report for the posters sub-committee – A discussion was held on the proposed topic for the next poster, invisible disabilities. Michael Hersey made a motion to approve \$300 for the creation of this poster, Sheila Mulcahy seconded. Unanimous.

Report from the scholarship sub-committee – No report.

Discussion on availability of office space at BACC – Paul Logan stated a trial period has been created for the Barnstable Disability Commission to hold office hours at the Barnstable Adult Community Center. It will be one hour per month on Tuesdays. Paul Logan stated he will be onsite for the first few months.

Report from the Architectural Access Board – No activity to report. Sheila Mulcahy stated she was going to reach out to the Hyannis Library for an update on their project.

Report from the DPW Review Sub committee/new construction and development projects – Paul Logan reported that Paul Graves has shared with him the plans on the town hall restrooms project. He will forward to Commissioners. He added that he has been involved in a matter pertaining to changes to accessibility at Town Hall. He has brought his concerns to the Town Manager and DPW Director. They are addressing.

Paul Logan added that Paul Graves has reached out to him to discuss a driveway configuration project at Kalmus beach.

Paul stated the BDC is looking to improve communications with the DPW Director and, in turn DPW. Michael Hersey stated it would make sense for them to wait until the accessibility survey reports are released for DPW to then review and incorporate in their renovation plans.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair –

The Commission briefly discussed the materials they received from Yarmouth and their public awareness campaign.

A brief discussion was held on the Barnstable Post Office.

Barnstable Adult Community Center is holding a virtual class discussing disability placards. Mona Solmonte will be attending.

Willow Street Tavern – Sheila reported that she has reached out to the Building Commissioner to discuss, however, she has not received a response.

Paul Logan asked Tammy Cunningham to check on the status of the closed captioning software.

Michael Hersey commented on the redesign of main streets outdoor dining and use of the concrete barriers impacting access. Paul Logan stated for next year they can work with the licensing department to make sure there are accessible walkways.

Next Disability Commission meeting to be held on October 18, 2021 at 10 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 am,

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).**