# TOWN OF WEYMOUTH COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES OWN CLERK'S OFFICE

## Whipple Senior Center 182 Green Street, Weymouth, MA 02/64 UN 15 PH 2: 29 April 11, 2018

#### **Minutes**

PRESENT:

Hank Goldman, Chairman

Lisa Jennings, Vice Chairman

Richard Johnson

Linda Sera John MacLeod Andrea Feeney Ron Evans

**NOT PRESENT:** 

Gerry Begonis

Michelle Casey

Chairman Goldman called the meeting of the Commission on Disabilities to order at 7:00PM.

#### MINUTES

Ms. Sera made a MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of February 14, 2017. Mr. Evans SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

The COD did not meet in March.

## ADA COORDINATORS REPORT

Chairman Goldman stated Winter Farmer's Market at Chapman; how are members accessing the building? Mr. Evans answered that the directions on how to get into the building is listed on the invitation.

Ms. Jennings stated there is a new Access Group currently looking at access issues in Quincy and Braintree right now but soon they will be looking at Weymouth. Chairman Goldman suggested listing our parks and the accessible features at those parks so that people will go to them. Then link the parks to other places like Facebook, etc.

It was suggested that whoever rents the Abigail Adams Building should pay a little extra for a security person to guard the handicap access door and make sure it's open for the entire event.

#### SEPAC

Chairman Goldman stated the meeting was postponed, the next meeting will be held on April 24, 2018.

#### SOUTH SHORE HOSPITAL

Chairman Goldman stated he will be back at South Shore Hospital to discuss the happenings after tax season is over.

#### RT 53/WASHINGTON STREET

Mr. Johnson stated the audible signal works on one side of the street at the crossing of Route 53 and Washington Street but not on the other side of the street. The sound is so low that a person cannot hear the audible sound. Mr. MacLeod suggested contacting the Mayor's Office and they will put in a request to get the aucible signal fixed.

## WEYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL (school puilding accessibility issues)

Chairman Goldman has not had time to talk with the Principal on this issue yet. On a few incidents for school events the handicap doors were not unlocked. Chairman Goldman spoke with janitor and they responded that the door for the event opens at 7:00PM.

#### COD FUND BALANCE

Chairman Goldman stated he recently received a request from Ted Langill, Chief of Staff which reads as follows:

Henry Goldman, Chairman Commission on Disabilities Town of Weymouth

Subject: Use of Funds designated for Commission on Disabilities Improvements and Projects

Dear Mr. Goldman:

As you are aware, the town of Weymouth has been aggressive in improving structures and public areas throughout the Town. Each project has components established for accessibility. Recent upgrades were made to Abigail Adams public restrooms. In addition, signage was ordered and placed at the front entrance of the building directing residents to the HP entrance and parking.

While discussing the recent upgrades the subject of mobile parking signage was visited. Along with Town elections, the town holds several large scale events during the year, and while parking is managed, additional HP parking signs would most definitely be beneficial. That being said, we are seeking posts, holders and signs to allow each building (2) HP parking mobile signs, and (2) "floaters" that can be used wherever needed, for a total of (30) mobile signs. We have priced a durable solution for the (30) signs for approximately \$3,000.

We are planning to place an order for the mobile signage as soon as possible, using the Town account established for such a purpose.

The town looks forward to continuing to make Weymouth a better place for all of its citizens.

Sincerely,

Ted Langill, Chief of Staff

Ms. Jennings made a MOTION to APPRO /E the FUNDING REQUEST in the amount of \$3,000 for HP mobile parking signage to be held with Emergency Management and the expense to be taken from the Commission on Disability Fund Balance 52110005. Mr. MacLeod SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Sera asked other members if we see show being plowed into the HP space in a privately owned business, how we handle that situation. Mr. MacLeod suggested reporting it to the Clerk's Office at Town Hall, because the business needs to have a license to operate and they need to have a HP space per parking rules of this town. Speak to someone in the Clerk's Office and let them know this is happening; ask them to make a phone call.

Mr. Evans stated the Special Olympics are nolding their day games on April 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:45AM-1:00PM. They are looking for sponsors.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Commission on Disabilities will be held on June 13, 2018.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. MacLeod made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 8:20PM. Mr. Evans SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Caristine Malloy Recording Secretary

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