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COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Tufts Library, Butterfly Room

May 21, 2014

Minutes

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PRESENT:

Lisa Jennings, Chairman
Richard Johnson
Ron Evans
Hank Goldman
Susan Kelly-Luscombe

NOT PRESENT:

Gerry Begonis
Robert Conlon
Francesco Hladysz
Maria Flynn

Chairman Jennings called the May 21, 2014 meeting of the Commission on Disabilities to order at 7:00PM.

CONVERSATION WITH HANK GOLDMAN/SEAN GUILFOYLE

Chairman Jennings stated to Mr. Guilfoyle that Francisco Hladysz is a member of COD but is not allowed to use COD when discussing matter that were not approved by COD . This matter will be discussed with Mr. Hladysz. Mr. Hladysz is allowed to contact School Committee and address matters as a member of COD. Chairman Jennings stated she understands both sides of the issue.

MINUTES

Mr. Evans made a MOTION to APPROVE the Minutes of April 16, 2014. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Mr. Goldman abstained.

Mr. Evans made a MOTION to APPROVE the Minutes of March 19, 2014. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ADA COORDINATOR REPORT

Chairman Jennings stated the report from Ms. McDonough this month stated that Fogg Library is completed.

WEYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL HANDICAP PARKING RE-LINING

The re-lining report was sent to Dr. Salim.

POLICE STATION HP PARKING ISSUE

Mr. Goldman had handicap parking issues a week ago at the Police Station. Since then changes have been made at the Police Station but the handicap parking issue is still not resolved. Chairman Jennings would like to meet with Sue McDonough and review the priority list of ADA issues in the Town. Mr. Goldman will draft a response from COD as a member of the commission. Work was done at Weymouth Police Station but not up to par. For 3-4 weeks now this has been an issue at the Weymouth Police Station.

VOTING PLACES HANDICAP PARKING ISSUES

At Chapman there is one HP parking space; and at Abigail Adams there are big issues regarding HP parking and entrance.

WEYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL PARKING

Mr. Goldman stated he has been fighting with the high school for more than ten (10) years because of dropping off his son who is handicapped and needs help getting out of the vehicle and into the building towards the elevator. (see Mr. Goldman's e-mail attached)

BEST BUDDIES - FUNDING REQUEST

Jennifer Baumann requested funds for a bowling night and leadership conference.

Ms. Kelly-Luscombe made a MOTION to APPROVE request for funding in the amount of \$300 to Best Buddies. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Mr. Goldman stated he would like to provide more support if Best Buddies can provide a list of expenses and what things cost.

FARMERS MARKET

Chairman Jennings stated it's that time of year again for Farmer's Market. COD is only interested in doing the four (4) village specific days. COD will highlight services they have provided to groups in town; offer handouts with information about the Commission on Disabilities; have a comments sheet and finally a list of upcoming COD meetings.

ANNUAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Nominations:

Ms. Kelly Luscombe made a MOTION to NOMINATE the Elks; nomination received from Paula Alessi Till nominating the Elks. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION.

Ms. Kelly Luscombe made a MOTION to NOMINATE Steve Doyle from Salute Military Golf; nomination received from Raymond Jennings. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION.

Ms. Kelly Luscombe made a MOTION to NOMINATE Belinda McGuire of SEPAC; nomination received from MaryEllen, Head of Weymouth SEPAC. Mr. Johnson SECONDED the MOTION.

Ms. Kelly Luscombe made a MOTION to NOMINATE Dr. Avi Schachter of Primary Care; nominated by Patricia Philbrook. Mr. Evans SECONDED the MOTION.

Ms. Kelly Luscombe made a MOTION to NOMINATE Greg Walsh; nomination received by Hank Goldman. Mr. Evans SECONDED the MOTION.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Commission on Disabilities will be held on June 18, 2014 at 7:00pm.

MASSACHUSETTS COD

Chairman Jennings stated MASS COD alternative housing voucher provides non senior adults a voucher to live anywhere in United States with 25% cost of housing.

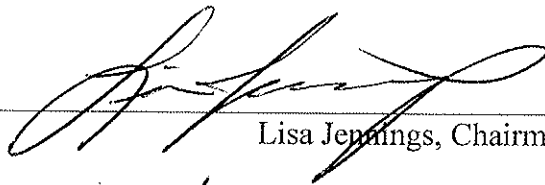
Mr. Goldman made a MOTION to SUPPORT the ALTERNATIVE HOUSING VOUCHER. Mr. Evans SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:25PM, there being no further business the committee adjourned.

Christine Malloy
Recording Secretary

Approved by:



Lisa Jennings, Chairman

Dated:

