



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission
Barnstable Senior Center
Hyannis, MA
October 16, 2013
Minutes

Meeting called to order: 11:37 a.m.

Attendees: Patricia Andres; Merrill Blum; Anne Mazzola, Tammy Cunningham, Sheila Mulcahy, Jean Boyle, Marc Grenier, and Raye Kaddy.

Others present: Dick Andres.

Excused absence: Anne Canedy.

Public Comment: None.

Raye Kaddy opened the meeting in the capacity of temporary chair.

Report of minutes of August 21, 2013 - Motion by Pat Andres to approve; seconded by Anne Mazzola. Unanimous.

Slate of Officers:

Sheila Mulcahy, Chairperson
Marc Grenier, Vice Chairperson
Tammy Cunningham, Secretary/Treasurer

Motion to approve the slate of officers by Pat Andres, Merrill Blum seconded.
Unanimous.

Financial Report – The net income statement dated October 15, 2013 was distributed to all members present. A brief discussion was then held on whom from the commission would like to be a member of the finance sub-committee.

A brief discussion was then held on the Smile organization and the beach chairs. Motion made by Raye Kaddy to donate \$1,000 to Smile, Marc Grenier seconded. Unanimous.

Other business:

Office address – J. F. Kennedy Museum, Hyannis, MA 02601

Hyannis Public Library – Accessibility:

Jean Boyle stated she received a letter from Carol Saunders, Director of Hyannis Public Library, that the large print section had been relocated from the second floor of the library to the first floor. This was a project the Eagle Scouts completed for the library. The reference section of the library has been moved to the second floor. Ms. Saunders invited the Barnstable Disability Commission to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Dining Guide:

Jean Boyle informed the Board she and Pat Andres began conducting an update on the dining guide by visiting establishments. Jean stated she was informed by the waitress at the Naked Oyster that they do not have a accessible wine cellar. Café Dolci is under new ownership and Michael's is closed. Jean stated they visited Brazilian Grill and they were very excited and receptive to be included in the dining guide.

After a brief discussion, it was then determined expectations for the dining guide and brochure would be placed on next months agenda for discussion.

A discussion was then held on setting up a calendar to organize and plan for upcoming events and projects.

Public Relations:

The Marketing access/committee members will include Sheila Mulcahy, Marc Grenier, Tammy Cunningham, and Jean Boyle with Raye Kaddy serving as Chair.

Tammy Cunningham will update the contact list and distribute to the membership.

Office Report:

Members of the Commission agreed to rotate on a monthly basis visiting the office to conduct office work and check/respond to messages. The list will be created and disbursed by Tammy Cunningham.

The first Public Relations committee is to be held on October 21st at 9:30 a.m. in the Disability Commission office.

Calender:

After some discussion, the Commission determined they would not hold monthly meetings for the months of December and January.

Merrill Blum to discuss with Deb of Spaulding Rehabilitation Center if they have images that Spaulding retains the rights to that the Commission could use for publications.

Sheila Mulcahy shared with the Commission her vision of building a bird watching deck at the end of the Main Street located in the area where a gas station used to reside which is now a Town owned nursery. The bird watching deck would overlook Stewarts Creek

area. The Commission then held a discussion the matter. Tammy Cunningham will contact Darcy Karle to invite her to attend a Commission meeting and discuss the idea.

A discussion was then held on beginning to review accessibility on golf courses.

The Commission will be asking Tom Perry, Building Commissioner, to attend February's meeting. The focus of the meeting is to discuss accessibility in the community. Tammy Cunningham will contact Tom Perry to invite him to attend.

A letter from Linda Cook was read to Commissioners present.

Meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m. The next meeting will be held in November.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy L. Cunningham

**The mission 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)**