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Barnstable Disability Commission Minutes April 19, 2017 10 a.m. Hyannis Youth & Community Center 141 Basset Lane Hyannis, MA 02601

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

Members present: Sheila Mulcahy, Chair; Merrill Blum, Vice Chair; Anne Mazzola; and Tammy Cunningham.

Members excused: Paula Breagy, Paul Logan, and Jessica Sylver.

Guests: Bob Hutchinson of Cotuit; Michael Trovato, Economic Development Coordinator; and Josh Richards, Sail Cape Cod.

Public Comment: Bob Hutchinson discussed his concerns over the Cotuit Town Dock being inaccessible. He presented photographs to illustrate. Tammy Cunningham stated she would bring the matter to the attention of Lynne Poyant, Director of Community Services, and Dan Horn, Director of MEA, for information and discussion. The BDC will contact Mr. Hutchinson upon further information.

Josh Richards, Program Coordinator of Sail Cape Cod, was present to discuss the current status of the Sail Cape Cod program. A conversation was held to discuss ways the BDC could support the mission of the accessible sailing program. It was determined having an accessible portable restroom at the Gary Brown boat ramp would be beneficial for the sailing program. Tammy Cunningham will contact Dan Horn or Derek Lawson to discuss. Merrill Blum made a motion to approve the BDC funding an accessible portable restroom at the Gary Brown boat ramp from June 26th through August 19th of the 2017 season for Sail Cape Cod, Anne Mazzola seconded.

Michael Trovato and the BDC discussed ways to further educate businesses in the Town of Barnstable on the need of being accessible. Michael Trovato described the regulatory process for businesses. BDC will send Michael Trovato the ADA Guide for his records and disbursement.

Approval of the minutes of February 15, 2017: tabled until next meeting

Office Report:

Merrill Blum reported a second notice has been sent to Centerville Plaza from the Architectural Access Board.

Jeff Dougan informed those present on grant funding available through MOD.

A career expo is being held on April 28, 2017 in Boston.

Merrill Blum mentioned the names for the two individuals selected from Barnstable High School.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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)

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