



BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission

Minutes

March 18, 2015

Barnstable Senior Center

Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA 02601

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

Members present: Sheila Mulcahy, Chair; Pat Andres, Vice Chair; Ann Canedy, Town Council Liaison; Raye Kaddy; Paul Logan; Merrill Blum; Paula Breagy; Anne Mazzola; and Tammy Cunningham.

Others present: Michelle Davies, Recreation; Jeff Dougan, Massachusetts Office of Disability; Cynthia Stead, Site Loss Services; Tobai Leighton; and Dick Andres.

Site Loss Services – Cynthia Stead of Site Loss Services discussed the services provided to residents of all Cape Cod Communities who are vision impaired. A brief discussion was held on the organizations mission, services, and programs. Councilor Canedy stated that the Anti Aid Amendment prohibits governmental units from supporting a 501c3, however, the Council could do a resolve to support activities.

After a brief discussion and a review of the handouts, the Commission stated they would continue the discussion at a later time.

Discussion with Tobai Leighton - Tobai Leighton attended the meeting to discuss art classes she provides to those with disabilities. Materials were provided to the Commission. Currently, Ms. Leighton is teaching art therapy classes at CapeAbilities.

After a brief discussion on Ms. Leighton's classes and experience, Michelle Davies recommended Ms. Leighton contact her to discuss the possibility of coordinating a class through the Recreation Department.

It was also suggested Ms. Leighton contact Madeline Noonan of the Senior Center to discuss the possibility of providing art classes to the Adult Supportive Social Day Program.

Review of minutes of January 21, 2015 - Raye Kaddy made a motion to approve, Paul Logan seconded. Unanimous.

Treasurers Report – Tammy Cunningham explained she would forward the report to everyone, as she had forgotten the document.

Office Report –

Cape Cod Commission: Sheila Mulcahy stated she did an assessment of the building. A variance had been granted some time ago from the Architectural Access Board. A brief discussion was held, Jeff Dougan of MOD, stated he would review the materials and provide feedback to the Commission.

Sheila Mulcahy stated she would complete a survey form and letter. She commented the ramp into the building may need a railing.

A complaint was filed concerning access to the front door in which a variance may have been granted. Sheila commented she did speak with Michael Brohart of the Commission. Sheila Mulcahy and Paul Logan were going to set up a time to conduct an additional site visit at 3225 Main Street, Cape Cod Commission Building.

Office coverage: Raye Kaddy, April; Paula Breagy, May; and Anne Mazzola, June.

Other Business -

Barnstable Disability Commission office – A brief discussion was held on whether to continue to keep the office space. Discussion on office space will continue at a later time.

Tammy Cunningham will check into the status of the conflict of interest training and renewal.

Dining Guide will not be updated this year.

Access Training: Jeff Dougan stated that CORD will be hosting ACCESS Training on June 23rd and 24th at the Resort and Conference Center. More information and flyers will be coming soon.

Meeting time: After a brief discussion, Paul Logan made a motion to approve changing the monthly meeting time to 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Raye Kaddy seconded.

Other Business:

Paul Logan had a brief discussion concerning proposed changes when applying for a common victualar license. He commented he feels this is something the Commission should do.

Items 5 and 7 were tabled until the next meeting.

Tammy will update and send out a revised membership information list.

Raye Kaddy made a motion to adjourn at 1:55 p.m., Merrill Blum seconded.

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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