

Lancaster Commission on Disability Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2017

Present: Rose Bissonette, Lorry Doucet, Marilyn Chambers, Daryl Blaney, Lesley Allison
Absent: Michael McCue, Carolyn Stump

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

1. Minutes reviewed from March 21, 2017 and April 21, 2017 meetings. Minutes accepted as edited.
2. Town matters: no new updates
3. Complete streets / Muni ADA improvement grant. Mike and Noreen have been in correspondence on these topics. Noreen proposed the idea of Community Center parking lot improvements for the Muni ADA grant. However, the town must have an official ADA transition plan in place in order to apply for the grant. Noreen has proposed that the COD should be involved in the development of this plan. COD agrees but would be involved in an advisory capacity only. Rose will email the COD members a copy of the details required for an ADA transition plan.
4. Scouts Outreach: Lesley has met with the Boy Scouts and is continuing to encourage their involvement in the assessment of accessibility of local businesses / public locations in town. Will continue to encourage their involvement over the summer.
5. Website accessibility: Lesley has not received a call back from the website developer at Virtual Towns and Schools and needs to call again. She has done some online research on the topic of web accessibility and will continue to do so. She would like to present her findings to the COD at a future meeting if possible.
6. Miscellaneous:
 - a. Lesley reached out to Carolyn about her computer issues. Carolyn is out of town at the moment. They hope to be in touch when she returns.
 - b. Rose would like the commission to come up with ideas to recruit new members for the COD. Discussion included advertisement in town newspaper (Item), town website, in the library, senior newsletter, town email blast. Commission agreed to have Mike come up with an Ad for publication / distribution.
 - c. Lorry brought up the issue of a lack of handicapped parking during elections, etc. This had been discussed at a prior meeting but commission is unclear on the resolution of the problem at the town level. There should be at least one spot available for voters. Town has to have a plan to accommodate.

Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm.

