

Commission on Disability Meeting Minutes  
December 18, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Chair McCue, Carolyn Stump, Rose Marie Bissonnette, Lesley Allison, Daryl Blaney  
Absent: Lorry Doucet, Marilyn Chambers

1. The Commission on Disability observed a moment of silence to honor the late President George H. W. Bush, who fought for and passed, the Americans With Disabilities Act.
2. Review of Lancaster Accessibility Awareness Month:
  - a. The Accessibility Sabbath was a resounding success again. The COD will consider reaching out to other churches in the community again for the year of 2019 and attempt to re-engage the churches.
  - b. Unfortunately, no one attended the movie showing of "The Theory of Everything" at the library or the event at Unified Health and Performance. However, Chair McCue is working with Brendan Aylward of Unified Health and Performance to promote his story and his work.
  - c. Other ideas for the year 2019 include: wheelchair dance performance; issues around mental health; the 21 panels on the history of disability will be ready for display at the library next year.
  - d. No one seems to know what happened to the banner that was posted on the green and was taken down by either the Netflix filming crew and/ or a town employee. The town may end up getting Netflix to pay for replacing the banner.
3. Town matters
  - a. 40B project proposal: There is a small working group meeting taking place between the developers representatives, lawyers, and one member of the Town Planning Board of Appeals.
  - b. Lesley still needs to investigate the new playground on the Thayer campus for accessibility.
  - c. ADA transition plan: a new town planner was hired. No one in the COD has heard anything new about the plan recently nor seen results of the town surveys. Chair McCue will reach out to the new planner in January.
4. Emergency preparedness: McCue and Associates continue to work on pamphlet.
5. The Minutes from October were accepted as amended.
6. Miscellaneous:
  - A. Lesley continues to work on sending minutes to the Town Clerk to post on the website.

- B. Lesley still needs to start the excel sheet to track the COD's projects and initiatives. She doesn't have access to Microsoft products at home. Will try to access computer in the office to set up the tracking sheet.
- C. The COD temporary handicap parking signs that Chair McCue gave to the police department for voting day are still missing.

Meeting adjourned: 8:29pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lesley Allison