

Provincetown Disability Commission
Minutes of the Meeting
September 10, 2013
Meeting in the Caucus Hall at Town Hall

Meeting Started at: 11:10AM

Members Present: Michelle DeMarco, Nancy Swanson, Herb Hintze, Michelle Foley & Linda Loren

Members Absent: Vernon Porter – resigned his position with the Town,
JoAnn Diorio – resigned

Guests: Roger Chauvette – Bike Committee

Welcome and Open Comments: New Town Employee will need to be assigned to fill Vernon Porter's position. Vernon will be missed.

Public Statements: None

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of July 9, 2013 approved with no changes. Michelle Foley motioned that they be accepted and Herb seconded. Vote: 5 - 0

Ongoing Issues:

F/U on complaint presented to the Commission regarding the Handicap parking spaces at PAM. Complaint was regarding the placement of the sign and configuration of the spaces. Sign prevents anyone from opening their passenger door if they are in the front space. Area evaluated and confirms the issue. Recommendation from the Commission will be sent to Parking and DPW to move sign or reconfigure the spaces.

All falls on down streets/sidewalks will be recorded by the Police. This will allow the commission to evaluate the condition of the brick sidewalks and identify any deterioration.

Disability awareness day this month will be postponed.

Town employee training is on hold.

Disabled Vets are coming to town on Sept. 19 and Swany suggested that they be given out new booklet.

Disability booklet well received. There are some errors and booklet will be reviewed before next printing.

Swany and Michelle D. will collect money from donation boxes.

Mobi Mats will be stored in shed after November 1. DPW will assist.

Herb has requested more booklets at the Chamber office and to give some to the Visitors Bureau.

Chamber is open all year and will continue to lend wheelchairs as needed. Chairs have requested on a regular basis.

West end street paving will be starting. Herb will check on what will be used for sidewalks. Commission would prefer that bricks not be used if possible.

Mobi Chair – need a well designed poster to advertise chair next year.

New Issues:

Bikes – Roger Chauvette discussed issues regarding bicycles. Police will be enforcing regulations regarding riding bikes as well as parking issues.

Space for Handicapped riders and scooters is needed. Roger asked is the Commission will send a letter regarding the need for this type of rack.

Herb request a new bike rack near the Chamber of Commerce – existing rack is out of the way.

Michelle D. that the Commission will be sharing and office at VMES with the VNA. Need to have file cabinet, desk, computer in this room.

Michelle asked Linda if she would be responsible for posting of future meetings. She accepted and will check with Doug Johnstone regarding posting regulations.

Michelle F. will assist with setting up new office at VMES

Closing Statements: None

Next Meeting Scheduled for: October 22, 2013 @ 11AM

Meeting Adjourned at: 12:25 PM Herb motioned for adjournment and Swany seconded. Vote 5-0

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by.
Linda Loren