

**Provincetown Disability Commission
Minutes of the Meeting
April 14, 2010
Provincetown Public Library**

Members Present: Michelle DeMarco, Jo-Ann DiOrio, Jamia Kelly, Linda Loren, Barbara Grasso, Vernon Porter, Rik Kapler (Wave)

Members Absent: None

Minutes of March 24, 2010 approved.

Old Business

- Continued discussion regarding issues and needs of commission. Major issue is lack of funding - no funds for education, purchase of items for increased accessibility, sensitivity training, benches, etc.
- Discussion of needs for presentation to Sharon Lynn, Town Manager:
 - Funds – operating budget as well as monies to increase accessibility
Money from town handicap parking receipts and possibility of Grant Funds
 - Inclusion in discussion about building variances
 - ADA Coordinator – employee as part of commission – hours, support
Dedicated phone line for commission

New Business

- Sharon Lynn – Guest

Presented needs of Commission for discussion:

Linkages with town employees and boards discussed. Discussed joint meeting with Disability Commission and employees/boards and have state disability rep attend - Jeff Dugan.

Funds – Need to have complete presentation for the Board of Selectman regarding amount of funds requested as well as how money would be spent. Need list of expenditures as well as all information regarding any items to be purchased.

ADA Coordinator – needs should be presented to the Board of Selectmen since current employee on commission – Vernon Porter – is employed by the selectmen. Need to present amount of time that would be needed to be devoted to the Commission.

Phone Line – New Town website can include information about the Disability Commission and how to contact the commission for information or complaints. Vernon Porter's line would be listed.

- Randa Krise – Town Resident
Presented to Sharon Lynn and the commission an ongoing accessibility issue regarding new construction. Issue has already been to the state and a decision rendered. All information to be given to Vernon Porter and then forwarded to the town building inspector.
- Next Meeting – discussion regarding forming a larger alliance with all groups in town who care for those with disabilities. Representatives will be invited from OCHS, Gosnold, CCASG, and the School.

NEXT MEETING: May 5, 2010 @ 1PM – Library