29 April 2009

Disability and Accessibility Minutes

Phil Lenz, Bryan Szteliga, Melissa Cordeiro and Meagan Monteiro in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 6:58 p.m. after relocating to a different locale since the Town Hall was locked.

1.) Motion to accept minutes thus far was made and seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.

2.) Discussion of purchase of evacuation chair. The Fire Chief was consulted about the purchase and he advised against it, stating that, while it was a good idea, the firemen would be more than capable of rescuing anyone for the Town Hall in a timely manner and may make their job more difficult with possibly having to remove both the person in the chair and the person pushing the chair. Members agreed to not purchase the chair.

3.) Discussion of accessibility ramp at DMS. Manny Cordeiro has preliminary plans to build the ramp at a cost of approximately \$40,000. Work may be done in house and if the work comes in under budget it will be returned to DAC and if it's over, the school maintenance budget will cover remaining and upkeep.

4.) Group continued with list of projects. Funding resumed at \$105,725 after removing evacuation chair form budget.

A.) Potter School-\$43,314 1.) Both Unisex Bathrooms B.) Demello School-\$4264 1.) 2 sinks, 2 water closets, 2 grab bars C.) Dartmouth Regional Park and Trails-\$ 1250 1.) Accessible route of travel 2.) Public Bathroom D.) DPW Recycling Center-\$150 1.) Signage for assistance E.) Potter School-\$300 1.) Accessible parking F.) North Dartmouth Library-\$125 1.) Accessible parking G.) Middle School-\$850 1.) Accessible parking Total= \$149,982 5.) Motion unanimously made to accept budgetary DAC plan. Plan accepted.

6.) Next meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.