

Hull Commission on Disability

November, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 12th, 2009

Location: Hull Town Hall

Time: 5:30

Attendees: Ken MacDonald, Bruce Wood, Joan Humphreys

Discussion Items:

Active Projects:

*Jakes Phase II Renovations-the work has begun. Peter was not present to discuss the plans. Ken will email Peter and this will be revisited at December meeting.

*Daddy's Dry Dock Renovation- There has been some activity at the location. Peter was not present to discuss the plans. Ken will email Peter and this will be revisited at December meeting.

*Riddles Expansion Plans- The bulk of the renovation appears complete. There are two HP parking spaces in the public lot at Riddles entrance. A second compliant sign is missing. Ken will email Peter.

*Olivina's Salon- Still no hand rail and Joan still wants to pursue. She sent a letter to Frank Plotner. Ken will email Peter and Bartley Kelley for resolution.

*Subsidized Accessible Hull Housing- Bruce summarized the October 21st meeting at the HHA office. He reiterating that they (HHA and DHCD) requested the meeting. Bruce attempted to take thorough notes during the meeting, however, this was challenging given the amount of dialogue (sometimes heated). The response from the DHCD was negative. Bruce made a motion to file a Title II ADA complaint. This was seconded by Joan and unanimously approved. He will draft necessary documents and have Ken review and sign. The Town Manager, Board of Selectman, and HHA will be notified of our intention. Bruce was authorized by a Commission vote to discuss this issue with the press

*Steamboat Wharf Marina Construction- Ken will email Peter about the missing compliant HP parking signs

*A Street Beach Ramp-Construction is underway and Bruce believes the work done so far is of high quality.

*ADA Transition Plan for Hull- Hard Copies and a memo were distributed to all department heads. Ken will email Bob Fultz stating the Commission looks forward to working with the consultants on a review-if possible.

*Senior Center Renovations- Joan feels Hull seniors don't want to see the existing center renovated. Ken questioned if this was a formal opinion of the Hull Council on Aging. Bob Fultz emailed Ken and suggested there needs to be more advocacy in support of the project from the disability community. An email reply will be sent offering whatever support the Commission can offer.

*Jacobs Elementary School- Ken emailed David Twombly in October regarding signage but hasn't received a response. No written complaint received from Kathy Morgan.

*Carousel Renovations-No update.

Inactive Projects:

*The Performing Arts Center

New Business:

Next Meeting is on December 10th, at 5:30 at the Town Hall
Submitted by Ken MacDonald