



The Town of Millbury Commission on Disabilities

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Meeting Minutes

Date; June 14, 2018 Time; 6:30 PM

Present;

Mike Kennedy; Chair, Debbi Dymek; Secretary, Jim Clifford, Tom Brown; Vice Chair and Kent Stowe; Treasurer.

Guest;

David Marciello, Town Manager
Paul Stringham, Inspector of Buildings

Meeting Minutes;

The minutes for the April 12, 2018 meeting were read and accepted as read. Motion by Tom to accept and second by Kent. All members voted unanimously.

The first thing on the agenda was a discussion with the Town Manager Of the accessible parking spaces on lower Elm St. request.

Mr. Marciello received a letter from the Disability Commission, signed by Mike, dated June 12, 2018. This letter is requesting that the Board of Selectmen look at some handicap accessible parking in and around the center of town. Mr. Marciello will present this letter to the Chairman, who sets the agenda for the next meeting, which will be held on June 26, 2018. If this makes the agenda meeting we will be notified and it is requested that some or all of our members of the commission should be in attendance for this meeting so we can make our presentation for this request.

Mr. Marciello also mentioned that improvements to the parking lot at Town Hall including handicap parking areas and curb cuts are being worked on at the moment. With the 2019 budget, there will be some money for some projects to remedy some of the problems of accessibility, like sidewalks or curb cuts or ramps. Everything seems to be going forward.

Dave mentioned of an ADA Action Plan for improvements. Mike will send Dave a copy of the Transition Plan of 2006. It will be reviewed, updated and work will go forward.

Debbi brought up the subject that she brought in some information to the Town Manager last week in reference to Chapter 40 Section 22G for his review.

This is about handicap parking revenue.

Taking the handicap parking fines and placing them in a separate account to be used later for handicap purposes in Town. Debbi said that Mike, Jim and herself attended a summit

the week before and was informed that this does not have to go to Town Meeting any more, but can be accepted by the Select Board. This is a new change in the rules. Dave suggested that we, as a commission, send a letter to the Select Board for their review, and they will put it on their agenda for acceptance. We as a Commission made a motion to have Mike send a letter about Chapter 40 Section 22G to the Select Board, Town Manager and any one else about our request. Asking to be put on the agenda, the purpose of the request is for the Board to consider adopting Chapter 40 Section 22G. Any further information about this issue would be appreciated before the meeting. Debbi made the motion and Tom second the motion. We all voted unanimously.

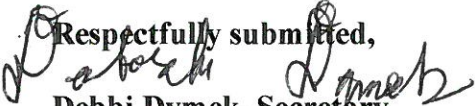
Mike brought up the fact that we have to advertise some positions in our Commission. Dave mentioned the fact that one of our members did not respond to her reappointment. Also one of our other members has not attended the meetings for a number of consecutive meetings. Dave said that Joyce will put the openings on the Town Webb site and also that we contact him by letter that this person has missed so many meetings and we recommend that we deem that a vacancy. Dave will then be able to appoint someone for the remainder of that term. Dave will take no action until he has received a letter from us and then he will bring it up with the Select Board.

Mike mentioned in the current legislative session, there is a House and Senate bill, House bill 2498 and Senate bill 1379. The AAB is updating the accessibility codes to be more in line with the ADA accessibility guidelines. If this bill were to pass, along with the updated AAB regulations, this would Standardize both AAB and ADA guidelines. Mike wanted to get our acceptance to send a letter of support for this bill. After a formal discussion about this bill, Jim made a motion and Tom second the motion. We all voted unanimously.

Kent mentioned that he attended the Master Plan meeting that was open to the public. It was a good meeting that was well attended.

Mike had his list of letters to be written, then adjourned the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on August 9, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Debbi Dymek, Secretary
