



The Town of Millbury Commission on Disabilities

Municipal Office Building 127 Elm Street Millbury, Ma. 01527

Meeting Minutes

Date; October 9, 2014

Time; 6:30 PM

Present; Mike Kennedy; chair, Kent Stowe; Treasurer, Debbi Dymek; Secretary, and Jim Clifford.

Guest;
None

Minutes of last meeting;

The minutes of the September 11th meeting were read and accepted as read. Jim made a motion to accept and Kent second the motion. All members voted unanimously.

Minutes;

Asa Waters Mansion and Bandstand Project-

There is not much to report on this bandstand project, except for the fact that Mike communicated with Mr. Spain and Mr. McNeil to say that we as a Commission think that over \$30,000.00 is too much over the top for engineering fees, and that a Plan B should be looked at. All we want is a ramp.

A DVD on the ASA Waters Mansion was discussed. We want to know if there is a DVD explaining the entire Mansion and an explanation of each room and their contents. This DVD must be shown, along with others, at the Millbury Chain of Lights in December. Debbi will look into this matter and report back to the Commission,.

Downtown Infrastructure;

There was further communication between Mike and Rob McNeil. Mr. McNeil basically said that he is reluctant in having any more No Right on Red signs at the intersection of Main and Elm St., he feels that it will adversely affect traffic. Mike replied back to Mr. McNeil saying that this is only Millbury and not a larger town like Worcester or Boston where you have to keep the traffic flow going constantly.

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Mike attended a conference where he received some contact information through Mass DOT and asked them about how can we address pedestrian safety at a four-way intersection. Mike has not as of yet received any reply back for a solution to this problem. Also if we had red arrows at the traffic signals that would flash red when the pedestrian signal was engaged, instead of No Right on Red signs, would be the solution.

There was also an 18-page communication to Mike from Mr. McNeil explaining that all the curb cuts in the future will be apexed curb cuts.

Mr. McNeil asked for any comments. The only one that we can come up with is having some tactile bumps on the curb cut that a blind person could feel with their cane to make you cross the street in the right direction.

Kent said that he would contact Bernie Plant who works for Mass DOT, and see if he has any solutions for this problem.

Announcements:

October is Disability Awareness Month. There will be a gathering behind Worcester City Hall on October 15th at noon for, Tapping into Awareness, White Cane Day and Disability Awareness Employment. Interested People are asked to attend.

Update on Rite Aid.

The complaint on Rite Aid has been resolved. The handicapped parking signs are attached to the wall in their appropriate places, and there is no clutter in the aisles inside the store. The case has been closed.

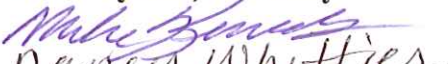
CVS has been issued their first notice. They have about 30 days to correct the problem. If within this time they do not fix the problem, they will be issued a second notice.

Debbi made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jim second the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on November 13, 2014 at 6:30 pm in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,


Debbi Dymek, Secretary


Nancy Whittier



