

## **COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES** CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

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## Salem Commission on Disabilities July 15, 2014 4:00PM - Salem Access TV, 285 Derby Street

## Commission Statement:

The Salem Commission on Disabilities is committed to making Salem a better place to work and live for people with disabilities. The Commission also strives to make Salem a more accessible place to visit for people living with all kinds of disabilities. Our mission is to raise awareness, educate, and provide informational resources about various disability issues. Two of the ways we do so are by providing educational information in the monthly meetings broadcasted on the local cable network, SATV Channel 22, and providing a daily audible column to help maximize the pedestrian commuter's safety. The Commission supports a strong relationship with their city government, their constituents and the Salem business community, including the museums and other tourist attractions.

## Agenda

- 1. Introductions and welcome
- 2. Appointments and swearing in by City Clerk: Debra Lobsitz and Jean Harrison
- 3. Guest: John Pelletier, Cristie Parker and Chris Weis
  - a. Discussion of Mass in Motion
- 4. New Business:
  - a. Review variance request by Turner's Seafood (Lisa Cammarata)
- 5. Andy's demo of assistive technology and accessibility solutions for the blind
  - a. Smart phone apps
- 6. Communication and updates: (recent activity and next steps)
  - a. Salem Probate & Family Courthouse Renovation, additions, variance status
  - b. Accessible Icon Project (consider possible Eagle Scout project)
  - c. Committee on Parking Fine Funds
  - d. Services for shut-ins
  - e. Willows Accessibility, Jim Nowlan
  - f. MBTA update, David Martel
- 7. Other:
  - a. Next meeting: August 19, 2014.

Co-Chair John Jodoin, Co-Chair, Andrew J. LaPointe, and Co-Chair Debra Lobsitz

For more information, e-mail Co-Chair, Debra Lobsitz at <u>debracl@comcast.net</u> or Commissioner, Andrew J. LaPointe at <u>alapointe89@comcast.net</u>. Know Your Rights Under the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. c. 30A §§18-25 and City Ordinance Sections 2-2028 through 2-2