TOWN OF SHEFFIELD COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Thursday, November 4, 2010 SHEFFIELD TOWN HALL DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM 4:00 PM

Commission Members Present: Judy Steindler (chair)

Noah Parsons (vice chair)

Dave Wells [with the assistance of Nan

Wells] (Clerk)

Laura Grunfeld

Don Perry

Chair Steindler called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Commission on Disabilities for October 21, 2010 were moved to be approved by Perry, seconded by Grunfeld, and unanimously accepted as written.

CHANGE OF MEETING TIME FOR THE WINTER DISCUSSED: Steindler suggested we meet earlier during the winter to help accommodate a number of issues. After some discussion, <u>Wells moved to change the C.O.D. meeting time to 3:30 – 4:30, and to try to keep the meeting to 1 hour. This motion was seconded by Perry and unanimously approved.</u>

SELECTMEN WANT TO MEET WITH C.O.D.: Steindler told the Commission that the Sheffield Board of Selectmen want to meet with the C.O.D. on Tuesday, November 16 at 4:30 to clarify rules for the town web site. After some discussion, <u>it was moved by Wells that we change our regular scheduled meeting date and time to Tuesday, November 16 and that the C.O.D. would meet at our new time of 3:30 to 4:30 for our regular business, in our usual meeting place of the Town Hall downstairs meeting room. We would then stay to meet with the Board of Selectmen. Grunfeld seconded this motion and it was unanimously so approved.</u>

RE-CAP OF NOVEMBER 3 DISABILITIES RESOURCES FAIR: All shared in the feedback that came from visitors, participants, and sponsors. This first Disabilities Resources Fair was given many kudos from all corners; with considerable feedback to have us do it next year and wanting to be a part. An E-Mail thank you was sent to all participants and volunteers from Grunfeld.

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BERKSHIRE EAGLE ARTICLE: Grunfeld shared with the C.O.D. that today's *Berkshire Eagle* had a really nice article on the successfulness of the Disabilities Resources Fair and its impact on students.

OUR NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 16, 2010 @ 3:30 (Note time change). _AGENDA: 1.) Town of Sheffield's Board of Selectmen will visit the Commission meeting at 4:30 2.) Continue our discussion regarding transportation issues for Sheffield residents and especially how it impacts those with disabilities 3.) Discussion on how we can make better connections with Sheffield residents 4.) Any other business as necessary.

<u>Perry moved to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Wells, and unanimously so approved.</u>

Steindler adjourned the meeting at 5:00 PM

Respectfully submitted:
Dave Wells [assisted by Nan Wells]