

## Sudbury Commission on Disability

Minutes of meeting, Tuesday, January 27, 2009; 7:00 PM, Sudbury Senior Center

Present: Chair David Mortimer, Kris Kiesel, Lotte Diomedede, Ben Halsband, Peter Sargent, Susan Stocker, and Carol Stoner

Absent: Anita Simon

<b>Next meeting</b>	Tuesday, February 24, 2009, 7:00 PM, Sudbury Senior Center, 40 Fairbank Road
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<b>Issue</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decisions/Questions</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>
Minutes	Minutes of the Tuesday, January 6, 2009 meeting were approved as amended.		
<b>Old Business</b>			
Parking	<p>Dave sent an e-mail to Wayne Walker asking several questions about the parking enforcement project. Only some of the questions were answered. Sudbury does not have a policy that would enforce the fine for a second offense of not displaying a placard, however valid. A designated member of the Commission can review the parking tickets. No one can attend the ticket hearings except Wayne and the person appealing the ticket.</p> <p>Should we do this again? The project seemed to break even re: amount of money spent vs. amount to be collected in fines.</p>	<p>Still to be determined: Were any tickets written during regular police shifts (not just during the special details)? Where were the tickets issued? What date and time of day? Which officer(s) were most productive?</p> <p>VOTE: the Commission voted to delegate Susan Stocker to review the parking tickets.</p>	<p>Susan will review the tickets, and report at the February meeting. After reviewing the information the Commission may decide to repeat the project as an educational exercise for the public, possibly quarterly.</p>
Haskell Field Update	<p>Lotte has set up a website for the SMILE project <a href="http://www.smilesudbury.org">www.smilesudbury.org</a> and has connected it to PayPal to simplify donating. There will be a Playathon</p>	<p>Lotte requested that the Commission on Disability make a donation of \$15,000 to the project. Following discussion, the Commission VOTED to ask the Town Manager for her</p>	<p>Kris will e-mail Maureen Valente.</p>

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	<p>January 31, a grant \$5,000 has been received from Shaws, there will be Chef afternoon in February, and a Las Vegas/Comedy Connection night this spring. Equipment has been ordered for the 5-12 year old section of the playground. The location of the playground within Haskell Field has been changed, which will require a greater expense for a walkway from the parking lot to make it accessible.</p>	<p>approval to donate \$10,000 to the project.</p>	
<p>Survey of the population of people with disabilities in Sudbury</p>	<p>The survey is ready to be copied and mailed to each household in Sudbury.</p>		<p>Kris will e-mail Maureen Valente for permission to use the Town's bulk mail permit for the survey. Lotte will ask the UPS store if they will print and fold the survey.</p>
<p>2009 Initiatives</p>	<p>A discussion was held regarding the projects and priorities for Commission activity this year. The Haskell Field project would take \$10,000 (and fundraising, plus the Boundless Playgrounds grant.) We have offered \$5,000 toward the ADA plan. The survey might take \$2,500 in postage. The Community Access Monitor training might take about \$200 for each member to get trained. The parking enforcement project is basically self-funding as the fines generated pay for the cost of the special police details.</p>	<p>The Commission VOTED priorities for the year in rank order:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Haskell Field</li> <li>2. ADA Plan</li> <li>3. Community Access Monitor training</li> <li>4. Survey</li> <li>5. Parking enforcement</li> <li>6. Visitability/Livable Communities</li> <li>7. Follow-up on the walking loop and traffic lights</li> </ol>	

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<b>New Business</b>			
Application of Debra Ernst	Debra Ernst has applied to become a member of the Commission on Disability.		Dave will invite Debra to the February meeting.
Election of Officers	The bylaws say that the annual meeting of the Commission is held in March. At that time we will have an election of officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer.	The Commission VOTED to appoint Lotte Diomedede, Susan Stocker, and Carol Stoner as a nominating committee.	The committee will develop a slate of officers.
<b>Next meeting</b>	The next meetings will be Tuesdays, February 24, March 31, April 28, May 26, June 30 and July 28 at 7:00 in the Sudbury Senior Center.		

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