

Sudbury Commission on Disability Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: 11/18/19 10:00 AM
 Location: Silva Room, Flynn Building, 278 Old Sudbury Road, Sudbury
 Members Present: Kay Bell (KB), Doug Frey (DF) Pat Guthy, Chairperson (PG), Lisa Kouchakdjian (LK), Caroline Santangelo (CS)
 Members Absent: None

Convene: The meeting came to order at 10:02 AM. A quorum (at least a majority of 3) was present.

Agenda Item

1. **Selection of Meeting Recorder**

CS volunteered to record minutes.

10. **Town Hall Update**

Reviewed the packet of material requested by and forwarded to interested parties and commissions. Discussed ensued regarding the Town Hall project and process moving forward, including upcoming scheduled Joint Commission Meetings. CS volunteered to work with PG on slides for the COD portion of the discussion/presentation on 12/5.

DF to contact Paul Spooner at MetroWest Independent Living Center to seek input on issues regarding Town Hall and invite him to attend the 12/5 meeting, if feasible.

2. **Review and approval of Minutes**

KB made a motion to approve 7/29/19 minutes, LK seconded, motion passed 5-0.

LK made a motion to approve 9/23/19 minutes as amended, DF seconded, motion passed 5-0.

CS made a motion to approve 10/2/19 minutes, KB seconded, motion passed 5-0.

5. **Meeting with Sudbury Foundation regarding funding of Town Self-Assessment**

PG and KB met with Marilyn Martino, Director of SF on 10/31 to provide more specifics on the Self-Assessment and Transition Planning project expected in 2020 and the Town's application for a MOD grant to help fund. Director Martino was very positive in her response and said she would present the possibility of SF also providing some amount of funding to her board post-MOD grant decision.

6. **Use of "Handicap Parking Account" funds**

A discussion ensued on the possibility of the COD also providing some amount of funding to the Town for the Self-Assessment/Transitional Planning project.

KB made a motion that, "To the extent required to meet the cost of the project, the COD allocate four thousand dollars from its general fund of handicapped parking fees for the purpose of assisting with the funding of the project, as the COD understands that the Town may receive the full amount via MOD grant." LK seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

8. Support of RAVE /Smart 911

DF reported that this system was under consideration by the Sudbury Police at a cost of approximately five thousand dollars annually. PG suggested that Police Chief Nix might come to a COD meeting if there were an opportunity for the Commission and the Senior Center to come together in support this service.

4. COD Letter in Support of Town Grant

A review and discussion of the draft letter ensued, and LK made a motion to approve the letter as amended. DF seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Additionally, a discussion ensued on the Commission contacting the Board of Selectmen to begin a dialogue on Sewataro accessibility.

3. Library Food and Beverage Policy

The Goodnow Library has reached out to the COD and Board of Health (BOH) to discuss what the Library policy should be on allowing food in public areas. LK introduced the Sudbury Public School Allergy Policy for the Commission to review and discuss. PG will continue the dialogue and report back on progress.

Transportation Update

LK reported that Meadow Walk has offered the Town and opportunity to create a Bus Stop within that property; possible spot for the Rt. 20 shuttle.

On the topic of making currently existing/efficient transportation more accessible, LK also stated that she suggested a shuttle bus from Davis Field to Lincoln Station at the Master Plan meeting, no action yet taken.

DF indicated that there was no provision in the Uber contract under consideration by Transportation for wheelchair accessible vehicles (WAV) and there was consensus from the COD that the Transportation Commission should make that a priority.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Adjourn

LK made a motion to adjourn meeting at 12:55 pm. DF seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.