

Sudbury Commission on Disability Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2025

Liesje Quinto called the virtual meeting to order with roll call at 7:30 AM.

Members present: Liesje Quinto, Cheryl Wallace, Karyn Jones

Transportation Updates

Cheryl shared updates from the Transportation Committee regarding transportation options for residents with disabilities in Sudbury. Current ride-share options such as Uber Wave and Lyft have long wait lists. The closest dedicated transportation service is in Waltham, which is not easily accessible for Sudbury residents. Cheryl noted that the Transportation Committee already includes representation from the Senior Center.

Remote Meeting Regulations & Zoom Bombing

Liesje reviewed regulations for open meeting law.

The first public comment was a zoom bomb.

The second public comment by Sudbury resident Kay Bell proposed conducting a community survey to better understand the number and needs of residents with disabilities in Sudbury. While census data is available, it is based on projections and may not fully capture community-specific needs. Kay noted that developing a valid survey would require professional guidance and funding.

Adaptive Bike Program

A motion was made to allocate **up to \$3,000** for an adaptive bike program planned for September and October.

Motion approved unanimously.

Karyn – Yes

Cheryl – Yes

Liesje - Yes

Karen Jones was approved as the grant writer for the adaptive bike program. Karyn will confirm available dates with the Rail Trail Committee. Karyn also agreed to share Canva images for the Halloween website with Cheryl, who will clean up the images for external use.

Recruitment & Outreach

The Commission discussed strategies to recruit new members, including creating promotional materials such as bulletin postings and website content. Cheryl offered to develop visual materials but noted that updated contact information from the Town is needed. Liesje agreed to follow up with the Town regarding posting openings and obtaining current contact details. The Commission agreed to further brainstorm recruitment ideas at the next meeting, with Cheryl preparing sample materials.

Next Meeting

The Commission discussed scheduling the next meeting. After considering availability, the next meeting was scheduled for **August 13, 2025**.

Liesje made a motion to adjourn. Cheryl Wallace seconded. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 AM.

Minutes submitted by Liesje Quinto
