

Liesje Quinto called the meeting to order with roll call at **8:30 PM**.

Members present: Liesje Quinto, Cheryl Wallace, Karyn Jones, Bessie Struck

Meeting Schedule & Agenda Procedures

The meeting opened at **8:30 PM**. A quorum was confirmed. The Commission reviewed legal requirements for posting meeting agendas and confirmed compliance through submission to the Town Clerk.

Public Comment -Broadacres Ramp Accessibility Concerns

Kay raised concerns regarding the accessibility of the Broadacres parking area ramp near the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail. She noted that the ramp lacks two required level landings and handrails, creating a safety hazard and failing to meet accessibility standards. Kay emphasized that the Town should not accept the DOT project as complete given that it was constructed with public funds.

Transportation Updates

Cheryl provided an update on transportation services, noting the successful transition to a new system. She reported that hiring is underway for a wheelchair-accessible vehicle and that the bus and voucher programs are performing well. Cheryl also shared that a grant application is being pursued in collaboration with MWRA and the Transportation Committee to further expand services.

Accessible Trick-or-Treat Event Recap

The Commission discussed the success of the **Accessible Trick-or-Treat** event, which attracted approximately **200 families** and received positive feedback. Members noted continued growth and increased neighborhood preparedness compared to previous years.

Adaptive Bike Even Recap

The Commission reviewed the Adaptive Bike Ride with All Out Adventures, which had approximately 50 participants, exceeding expectations. The event included volunteers from neighboring towns and received positive community feedback. Karyn noted that future events will require the Town to provide an accessible porta-potty, and the group discussed the associated costs. Karyn shared that the event provider will follow up after the new year to schedule dates for next season.

Warrant Article Discussion

The Commission discussed draft warrant articles from related to accessibility and disability inclusion. Liesje shared that a Select Board member expressed enthusiasm for the warrant article, though the Commission is still awaiting guidance from Andy. Karyn shared draft language used in Lexington, and the group agreed to review it in more detail at a future meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned.