

Carver Commission on Disability
June 3, 2019 5:00 PM
Small Meeting Room, Carver Public Library
Meeting Minutes

Written and posted in Accordance with the provisions of MGL, Chapter 30A, Section 22

Members Present – Donna Forand, Mark Townsend, Madeline Joyce, Bill Harriman

Members absent – Travis Ouellette, John Woods, David Siedentopf

Guests – MariAnne Presscott

Donna Forand Called Call meeting to Order at 5:00 pm

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Minutes were not available, will be approved at next meeting

Reorganization – Motion made and seconded to postpone reorganization until next meeting due to several members not being present. Motion carried 4 – 0

New Playground ADA concerns – Discussion of meeting with or attending Recreation Committee meeting to discuss accessibility issues with new playground. Motion made and seconded to postpone playground discussion until next meeting due to several members not being present. Motion carried 4 – 0

Shaw's Letter – Still nothing heard from letter sent to Shaw's regarding battery operated shopping cart issue. Sense of meeting was to forward another request if nothing heard by next meeting.

By-Law - Discussion on the By-law for the committee that needs some minor changes, this will be discussed and put to committee vote at the next meeting in August.

Hearing assisted devices that were used at the Annual Town Meeting in April were briefly discussed, Madeline Joyce reported that she used one and it worked quite well. Madeline asked if Cable 58 had Closed Caption available for its television programming, no one knew, will check on that.

MariAnne Prescott had contacted the Mass Disabilities and talked to Jeff Donovan. She provided contact information to Donna. He felt that our commission did not qualify as a commission. Good discussion on what a Commission on Disability should be according to Jeff

Donavan, ie make-up of the commission must be one member from Select Board and a majority of disabled persons, 10 meetings per year, etc.

Additionally, there was discussion on businesses and facilities in Carver that were not accessible to those with disabilities.

Next Meetings –Monday, August 26 at 5:00 PM, to be held at the Carver Public Library, room to be determined prior to those meetings.

Adjourn - Motion to adjourn made by Mark Townsend, seconded by Madeline Joyce. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously 4 – 0 at 5:40 pm.

Minutes completed by William J. Harriman in the absence of Travis Ouellette