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## BARNSTABLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

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Barnstable Disability Commission Minutes November 17, 2021 via Zoom from 10 am to 12 pm

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

*Members present:* Paul Logan, Chair, Sheila Mulcahy; Vice Chair, Linda McKinney, John Lundborn, Warren Rutherford, Paula Breagy, Jerilyn DiCostanzo, and Brian Freeman.

*Others Present:* Paul Hebert, Town Councilor and Liaison to Disability Commission, Tracie Reilly, CORD, Sarah Nechamen, Disabled Persons Protection Commission, and Tammy Cunningham, Asst. HR Director and staff liaison.

Members Absent: Michael Hersey

## Public Comment:

**Disabled Persons Protection Commission** – Sarah Nachamen, Outreach and Training Specialist with MA Office of the Disabled Persons Protection Commission, attended the meeting to discuss their mission. Their purpose is to investigate claims of abuse against individuals who are disabled between the ages of 18 and 59. For individuals age 60 and older, the governing agency is Office of Elder Affairs.

## Approval of the minutes of September 15, 2021 and October 20, 2021 –

Warren Rutherford moved to approve the minutes of September 15, 2021, Sheila Mulcahy seconded. Unanimous (1 abstain John Lundborn)

Warren Rutherford moved to approve the minutes of October 20, 2021, Sheila Mulcahy seconded. Unanimous (1 abstain John Lundborn)

*Financial report* – A brief explanation discussion was placed on how the handicap parking fund is funded.

**MOD Grant update** – Tammy Cunningham provided an update on the status of the MOD grant including the grant process, what an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan is, and next steps. The final draft is currently with members of senior leadership for review and comment.

**Report from the posters sub-committee** – Sheila Mulcahy stated the most recent poster was printed and has been provided to Tammy for distribution.

**BACC Office Hours** – Paul Logan provided an update on the status of BACC office hours being held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month from 11 to 12 pm. John Lundborn suggested holding

office hours at Hyannis Youth and Community Center. Linda McKinney volunteered to cover the office hours for November.

*Hyannis Library Update* – Sheila Mulcahy stated she had attended the public outreach meeting and the ideas generated from that meeting are currently percolating with the library.

TOB Closed Captioning update – Tammy Cunningham will check with Sarah Beal of the status.

**Report form MA AAB Variance Request sub-committee** – No business.

**Report from DPW Review sub-committee/TOB projects** – Paul Logan stated plans for the renovations for the basement level restrooms have been shared with him for review. Warren Rutherford has requested to be part of this sub-committee.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair –

Sheila Mulcahy informed the Commission about Rowing to Recovery which recently opened their second chapter due to their continued success.

Next Disability Commission meeting will be held on December 15, 2021 at 10 am.

Sheila Mulcahy moved to adjourn, Linda McKinney seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

7ammy L. Cunningham

The objective of the Barnstable Disability Commission is to advise and guide the Town of Barnstable and the general public regarding issues of accessibility in accordance with the American's With Disabilities Act (ADA).