



MILFORD COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

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Minutes from the Meeting of March 20, 2012

On Tuesday, March 20, 2012, a meeting of the Milford Commission on Disability (MCD) was held at Milford Town Hall. Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by M. Nicholson, Chairperson.

Members Present: Ann O'Connor, Patricia Luchini, Theresa Calcagni, Dino DeBartolomeis Mike Nicholson, Demetra Edwards, Fran O'Neill, and Tom Andruskevich

Members Unable to Attend: Charles Hince

Attending as a guest: Alice M. Knowlton

Minutes: Minutes from the meeting of February 22, 2012, were reviewed. A. O'Connor moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by D. Edwards. Minutes accepted by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: Main Account balance \$1,007.02. Revolving Account balance \$1,421.86. D. Edwards moved to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by A. O'Connor. Report accepted by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: 1) Letter from Town Administrator Lou Celozzi, RE online training for the Conflict of Interest Law; 2) Correspondence from Town Engineer Mike Santora, confirming a meeting with Reno DeLuzio to discuss ADA enhancements to the Upper Charles Trail; 3) Memo from L. Celozzi that the Board of Selectmen has authorized planning for an accessible fishing platform at Louisa Lake.

Review of Current Projects:

(a) **Accessibility-Businesses:** 1) Medical Facilities/List, Survey: no change; 2) License Renewal/List, Survey: no change; 3) Claudette Drive: accessibility at Rolling Green Apartments; M. Santora has referred to Building Inspector, Jon Erikson, for resolution; M. Nicholson will follow up.

(b) **Site and Building Plan Reviews:**

1) Phase III of the Upper Charles Trail: M. Nicholson met with M. Santora and R. DeLuzio on February 23, 2012, and the parties agreed that two rest areas will be added to the trail, one each east and west bound with benches and trail edge alerts to be added later. Accessibility signage is to be added at entrances. This work on the trail will comply with ADA regulations.

(c) **Town Accessibility:**

1) **Youth Center:** Plan for maintenance on accessible lift during FY2013.

2) **Crossing Chirpers:** Awaiting Rte 140/Water St. renovation plans.

3) **Louisa Lake:** Better access for fishing by individuals with and without disabilities; Board of Selectmen agreed to support design costs; M. Nicholson met with M. Santora on March 8, 2012, and discussed a design. M. Santora will work on this project. Request for funding may be made at the October Town Meeting.

4) **Library:** Accessible equipment at the library; Library Director S. Edwards, replied to D. Edwards' letter of January 24, 2012, regarding increasing accessibility at the library for blind or visually impaired patrons that included low cost suggestions; S. Edwards said she does not have money in her budget; D. Edwards hopes to meet with her in April.

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(c) Town Accessibility (cont'd):

- 5) Upper Charles Trail: Tactile warning plates need to be embedded in pavement rather than glued; plate on the trail near Friendly's is falling apart; M. Santora contacted Mass DOT about this; M. Santora may have to confer with R. DeLuzio to discuss next steps.
- 6) Parks Department Parking: Addition of more HP spots at the Upper Charles Trail; T. Andruskevich reported that M. Bresciani said he will consult with R. DeLuzio.
- 7) Milford Housing Authority (MHA): Purchase of a ramp to make the laundry facility building at Fairfield Court accessible; installation by MHA is on schedule for the Spring.
- 8) Sidewalk Obstructions: b) E Main St-Prairie St-Quarry Sq: new curb cuts and other alterations are needed: M. Nicholson to follow up; d) Rte 140 & Water St Intersection Renovation: M. Nicholson asked M. Santora about it; no plans yet; e) Cars blocking sidewalk near Milford Police Station; Police Chief will address the problem; k) W. Spruce St/ Gibbons Ave: (mail box and news box encroachment) M. Nicholson will pursue; m) Cross walks on Winter Street: (need curb cuts): A. O'Connor reports that S. Crisafulli has on his list for summer; p) Purchase St (sidewalk between Greenleaf Terrace and Pete's Market is narrow and not level): M. Nicholson will take pictures and follow up; s) Problem with flags hanging too low over the sidewalk in front of business establishments: AAB regulations require a clearance of at least 80 inches; T. Andruskevich surveyed Main Street and found three violations; T. Andruskevich alerted the Inspections Department; some HP fine signs were missing on Main Street and T. Andruskevich asked S. Crisafulli to replace them; v) Curb cuts at crosswalk at Routes 109 and 16: M. Nicholson surveyed and could not find a problem; A. Knowlton will check again and report back.
- 9) High School Fields: M. Nicholson reported nothing new.
- 10) Draper Park Ramp: M. Nicholson reported that, per M. Santora, the permanent ramp will not be in place in time for Memorial Day; MCOD will once again rent a portable ramp to provide access to the WW I Memorial; T. Andruskevich moved that not more than \$1,000 be spent from the MCOD budget to rent a ramp; D. DeBartolomeis seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.
- 11) Fino Field Pool Renovations: T. Andruskevich said M. Bresciani will send the plans to the Commission for review when he gets them from the architect.
- 12) Proposed Playground at Fino Field: A. O'Connor will try to attend the next meeting of the group trying to build a playground at Fino Field to ensure it is accessible.

(d) HP Violation Signage: no change

(e) Disability Awareness: T. Andruskevich will follow up with R. Bonnell, the web master for the Town of Milford's web site, about adding the Disability Indicator Form to the web page of the Commission on Disability; T. Andruskevich will try to get publicity in local media about the availability of Voter Assist Terminals at each polling place in Milford.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 17, 2012, 7:00 p.m., Room 14, Milford Town Hall.

Adjournment: A. O'Connor moved to adjourn the meeting; D. DeBartolomeis seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Thomas Andruskevich
Secretary

Ref: Project Worksheet
CC: Board of Selectmen (4 copies)
Department of Inspections (1 copy)