



MILFORD COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

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Minutes from the Meeting of October 18, 2011

On Tuesday, October 18, 2011, a meeting of the Milford Commission on Disability (MCOD) was held at Milford Town Hall. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by M. Nicholson, Chairperson.

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

Members Unable to Attend: Charles Hince, Dino DeBartolomeis

Attending as a guest: Alice M. Knowlton

Minutes: Minutes from the meeting of September 20, 2011, were reviewed. T. Luchini moved to accept the minutes as written, and T. Calcagni seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: Main Account balance \$1,088.00. Revolving Account balance \$1,421.86. T. Andruskevich moved to accept the Treasurer's report and D. Edwards seconded the motion. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: The License Renewal List of license holders in Milford from Lou Celozzi was received wherein comments were solicited by the Town Administrator. No action was taken at this time as M. Nicholson said he will redirect issues/complaints as they come up.

Review of Current Projects:

(a) **Accessibility-Businesses:** 1) Medical Facilities/List, Survey: no change; 2) 178 E. Main Street: remains open.

(b) **Site and Building Plan Reviews:** None

(c) **Town Accessibility:**

- 1) **Youth Center:** no change
- 2) **Crossing Chirpers:** Seek replacement of signal at E. Main & Plain Sts.?
- 3) **Louisa Lake:** M. Nicholson is waiting to hear back from D. DeBartolomeis about a meeting regarding access to the lake for fishing by individuals with disabilities.
- 4) **Library:** D. Edwards reported that the library director is seeking money for accessibility improvements.
- 5) **Upper Charles Trail:** M. Nicholson showed photos of a barrier that was constructed by a local Boy Scout to serve as a safety barrier for individuals with disabilities at the end of a paved area of the trail.
- 6) **Parks Department Parking:** M. Bresciani relocated an HP parking space at the Town Pool to bring it in compliance with ADA regulations and also replaced missing HP signs at Fino Field. The Commission will request that additional HP spots be added to parking lots near the Upper Charles Trail.

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(c) Town Accessibility (cont'd):

7) Milford Housing Authority: A. Knowlton reported that orange markings have been placed near the laundry facilities at Fairfield Court in advance of construction to make the building accessible; she was not sure about the addition of curb cuts near her building.

8) Sidewalk Obstructions: a) Rte 16 E Main St-Prairie St-Quarry Sq: new curb cuts and other alterations are needed; M. Nicholson still assessing needs; b) General parking problem with cars parked partly on sidewalks in Milford, e.g., Highland Street, E. Main east of Cedar St; M. Nicholson discussed with Police Chief at a neighborhood meeting; c) Cars blocking sidewalk near Milford Police Station; will be addressed at a later time; d) Milford Common Sidewalk: M. Nicholson to handle; e) W. Spruce St/Gibbons Ave: (mail box and news box encroachment) M. Nicholson will pursue; f) Crosswalks on Winter Street: (need curb cuts) - S. Crisafulli did put this on his to-do list; g) Purchase St: (sidewalk between Greenleaf Terrace and Pete's Market is too narrow and is not level) M. Nicholson to follow up; h) Meade Street: D. Edwards reported that bushes obstruct the sidewalk.

9) High School Fields: M. Nicholson received e-mail from Brian Murray that six accessible parking spots will be added closer to the field at a cost of \$10,500.

10) Draper Park Ramp: M. Nicholson said that Article 15 on the warrant for the Special Town Meeting on October 24, 2011, will request \$26,000 for engineering services and construction of a permanent ramp to make the Veteran Memorial at Draper Park accessible.

(d) HP Violation Signage: no change

(e) Disability Awareness: T. Andruskevich reported that the E-911 Disability Indicator Form will be added to the Commission on Disability page on the Town of Milford's web site.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 7:00 p.m., Room 14, Milford Town Hall.

Adjournment: A. O'Connor moved to adjourn the meeting; D. Edwards seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Andruskevich
Secretary

Ref: Project Worksheet

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Department of Inspections (1 copy)