



## MILFORD COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

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### Minutes from the Meeting of November 15, 2011

On Tuesday, November 15, 2011, a meeting of the Milford Commission on Disability (MCOB) 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, Fran O'Neill, Theresa Calcagni and Tom Andruskevich

**Members Unable to Attend:** Charles Hince, Patricia Luchini, Dino DeBartolomeis and Demetra Edwards

**Attending as a guest:** Alice M. Knowlton

**Minutes:** Minutes from the meeting of October 18, 2011, were reviewed. A. O'Connor moved to accept the minutes as written, and T. Calcagni seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Main Account balance is \$1,007.02. Revolving Account balance is \$1,421.86. T. Andruskevich moved to accept the Treasurer's report and A. O'Connor seconded the motion. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

**Correspondence:** 1) Notice about a Holiday Party for town employees at Pinz on December 12 was read; 2) A reminder was received from the Town Clerk about Commission on Disability members signing the form acknowledging receipt of the Summary of the Conflict of Interest Law for Municipal Employees as required by the State Ethics Commission; 3) M. Nicholson reviewed the Town Meeting Warrant which authorized the expenditure of \$26,000 for architectural services and construction of a permanent ramp at the Veterans' Memorial at Draper Park.

### **Review of Current Projects:**

(a) **Accessibility-Businesses:** 1) Medical Facilities/List, Survey: no change; 2) License Renewal/List, Survey: no change; 3) 178 E. Main Street: M. Nicholson will follow up.

(b) **Site and Building Plan Reviews:** 39 Green Street (car wash) no comments; 11 Commercial Way (rental equipment) no comments.

### (c) **Town Accessibility:**

1) **Youth Center:** no change.

2) **Crossing Chirpers:** no change.

3) **Louisa Lake:** Access to the lake for fishing by individuals with disabilities; M. Nicholson will talk with D. DeBartolomeis about possible solutions.

4) **Library:** No authorizations appeared on the Town Warrant for accessible equipment at the library; D. Edwards will follow up.

5) **Upper Charles Trail:** The "Milford Patch" noted the addition of a new bench next to the trail; suggestion was made that perhaps the Commission could pay for a bench that would comply with ADA regulations.

6) **Parks Department Parking:** T. Andruskevich showed pictures he sent to M. Bresciani recommending the addition of more HP spots at the Upper Charles Trail.

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(c) Town Accessibility (cont'd):

7) Milford Housing Authority: Tom Duffy of AMRAMP surveyed the laundry facility building at Fairfield Court at M. Nicholson's request and submitted a proposal for a ramp to make the building accessible; A. O'Connor will forward the proposal to Sean Riley of Senator Moore's office as a possible solution to the reasonable accommodation request made by a resident of Fairfield Court.

8) Sidewalk Obstructions: b) E Main St-Prairie St to Quarry Sq: new curb cuts and other alterations are needed: M. Nicholson to follow up; d) General parking problem with cars parked partly on sidewalks in Milford, presenting a problem for blind or visually impaired people; e) Cars blocking sidewalk near Milford Police Station; M. Nicholson will photograph violators; f) Claflin Street at Blaire House: M. Nicholson reports that repairs have been made; j) Milford Common Sidewalk: M. Nicholson to handle; k) W. Spruce St/Gibbons Ave: (mail box and news box encroachment) M. Nicholson will pursue; m) Crosswalks on Winter Street: (need curb cuts): A. O'Connor reported that S. Crisafulli will take care of this; p) Purchase St (sidewalk between Greenleaf Terrace and Pete's Market is too narrow and is not level): M. Nicholson will take pictures and follow up; r) Meade Street and E. Main (bushes obstructing sidewalk): D. Edwards will get more detail; s) D. Edwards reports a 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 will contact the head of the Milford Chamber of Commerce and ask that members be made aware of this.

9) High School Fields: M. Nicholson reported that a concession stand and accessible rest rooms will be added to the renovation project.

10) Draper Park Ramp: M. Nicholson said that Lou Celozzi and Michael Santora have been appointed to a design committee to add a permanent ramp to the Veterans' Memorial at Draper Park.

(d) HP Violation Signage: no change

(e) Disability Awareness: T. Andruskevich reported that he asked R. Bonnell, the web master for the Town of Milford's web site, to add the Disability Indicator Form to the web page of the Commission on Disability.

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

**Adjournment**: A. O'Connor moved to adjourn the meeting; T. Calcagni seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Andruskevich  
Secretary

Ref: Project Worksheet

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