

Sandwich Commission on Disability

Minutes: May 2, 2018

Meeting opened: 4:35 PM

Members present: Dohm Jellison, Brett Butz, Mary Ryan, Polly Sherman

Members absent: Brendan Brides, Mary Grabowski, Sylvia Kelly

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Dohm Jellison to accept the minutes and seconded by Brett Butz. Approved

The call with Massachusetts Office on Disability (MOD) to review our grant application will be on June 21st with Polly Sherman and Doug Lapp. The annual report of the first year the Commission that will be included in the town report was shared with the members.

Next Steps: In May 2017 we held our first meeting with Jeffrey Dugan of MOD. He suggested that we spend the first six months developing a structure and focus for the committee and education ourselves on the town resources. This was completed with monthly meeting scheduled and officers elected. We have had many speakers at our meetings to learn about town and community resources.

The commission identified the need for the self evaluation to be completed and the plan submitted to the state. In October a planning grant proposal was submitted to MOD but was not funded. This self evaluation is still the priority of the Commission and we are hoping to get good feedback on next years grant on the call to MOD.

We discussed next steps and identified the need to get the Commission better known in the community. Since this may require some funding Dohm Jellison will find out the amount of fees collected by the town for parking in handicapped spaces illegally. We will speak with Doug Lapp about getting more presence on the town website and Dohm volunteered to have a display at the town meeting in May. Brett Butz will check into a card with the commission contact information and mission. We will continue with outreach to other organizations and town committees.

Adjourned at 5:25

Polly Sherman, Chairman

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