

CITY OF REVERE - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
Meeting Notes November 14, 2017, 6:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
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Salute to the Flag

Roll Call -Members present: Ralph DeCicco; David Haesy; Bryan Arciero; Michelle DeBellis

Moment of Silence: Prior to the meeting, members observed a moment of silence in honor of deceased Commission member Harvey Corin.

Item 1: Metro Boston Homeland Security Region Evacuation Working Group:

-Ralph DeCicco from the Commission on Disabilities has been invited to a working group along with Revere public safety officials to develop an evacuation plan. The evacuation plan for emergencies needs to take in to account the needs of residents with disabilities.

Item 2: Update on City Events:

-Revere Special Olympics ended its 6-week run for fall 2017, successfully completing a Young Athletes program and an outdoor soccer program. The program will return in the spring, hopefully with further enhancements.

-The Drop and Stay Playgroup for children with special needs held a Halloween party on October 23. The group continues to meet weekly.

-The next SEPAC meeting will be held on November 15 at 6 PM at the League for Special Needs. On the docket is an open forum for parents.

Item #3: ADA Improvement Grant

-The City and the Commission on Disabilities applied for an ADA improvement grant through the state; the application closed on November 17. By the December meeting, we hope to have an update on the application.

Item #4: Disabilities Accessibility Survey

-Co-chair Ralph DeCicco is working on creating an accessibility survey to send out to the community, in order to survey the concerns and needs of residents on disability issues. This is in addition to the questionnaire that will go out with the 2018 city census.

Adjournment- Next Meeting will be Tuesday December 12, 2017 at 6:00 PM