



CITY OF REVERE - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

Ralph DeCicco - Chair

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Meeting Will Be Via Zoom and on Revere TV

Please click the link below to join the webinar

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Pledge of Allegiance: Moment of silence for fallen MSP Trooper Tamar Bucci

Roll Call of Members: Present - Ralph DeCicco, Pauline Perno, Mario Grimanis, Jason Barrone, Asmaa Aabou-Fouda, Robert Brown

Absent - Enza Goodwin

Item #1: Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from February 8, 2022 : Jason Barrone, Mario Grimanis

Item #2: Updates/ Next Steps: Ralph / communication re: signage on beach; Asmaa / Mass Commission for Deaf / HOH will offer services , application is online, and available for City meetings ; Jason / Follow up on The Ride... looking to make OTA upgraded for complete transparency with regards to services and utilizing The Ride

Item #3: SEPAC: will look for updates from the planning meeting which was rescheduled to March 16 @3:30pm (Robert Brown will provide update)

Item #4: CODA (Commission on Disabilities Alliance) Monthly Zoom meeting from March 3, 2022 :

- Discussion held on how other communication widgets and technologies are utilized and presented.... via web design are all communities ADA compliant with regards to Font / translations etc. All communications must follow same guidelines ;**
- Parameters for Outside Dining.... making sure communities keep accessibility as a priority and in place post COVID, clear pathways , ADA access for chairs, tables assistive devices; keeping an eye on possible barriers, each community can issue their own violations and utilize money brought back hopefully for Disability Commission use (needs to be adopted by City Council)**

Item #5: Commission Members Late Items:

- **Possibility of Food Pantry for Dogs in conjunction with Sandys4 Paws Care;**
- **possibility of utilizing therapy dogs in the schools/ matching dogs with prospective homes ... Pauline and Robert will be looking into more information ;**
- **Meeting in May will feature a guest presenter from DPPC...looking at how to promote her talk via PSA's, SEPAC, schools, Elder Services.**
- **Commission Member Enza Goodwin is stepping down from her position effective March 31.**

Item #6: Residents' Concerns/ Issues, questions, and Open Forum

- **None**

Item #7: Reminder –

The Commission on Disabilities due to Covid 19 and the safety of all residents is trying to limit in person appointments due to the unavailability and use at our present office location. Residents can speak to staff from our 311 Constituent Service Center Monday through Friday when you call our office at 781-286-8267. They will be able to answer most questions but if they are unable to or if you would like a call back from our office please ask to be transferred to the Disability offices voicemail and someone will get back to you as soon possible.

We are working on solidifying another temporary location for our office for necessary in-person appointments determined by the COD on Friday mornings. We will update this information when available on the City of Revere's Web Site Disability page.

As always please let us know if you would like something discussed or brought up and added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can let us know if you would like to speak on any issue or concern. The Commission is here to help and assist all the disabled residents and families of Revere.

Next Steps: Possibility of a therapeutic animal program for the city (Pauline / Robert)

Motion to Adjourn: Mario / Robert

Next Meeting: Next Meeting (Via Zoom) will be Tuesday April 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM