



CITY OF REVERE - COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Meeting Agenda – March 9, 2021 6:00 PM

Ralph DeCicco - Chair Pauline Perno - Vice Chair

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Meeting Will Be Via Zoom and on Revere TV

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Salute to the Flag

Roll Call of Members: Present Ralph DeCicco - Chair, Enza Goodwin, Pauline Perno, Asmaa Abou-Fouda, Jason Barone. Absent: Robert Bent, Brian Vesce

Item #1: Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2021

Approved by Enza Goodwin & Second by Asmaa Abou-Faoud

Item #2: Introduction of New Commission Member - Brian Vesce. (Carried over from last meetings) - Tabled again as Brian Vesce is absent

Item #3: Commission on Disabilities Vice Chair Position. Formal motion made by Enza Goodwin to vote and approve Pauline Perno as Vice Chair - Approved by Jason Barone and 2nd by Asmaa Abou-Fouda. Also, all members voted yes including Robert Bent who could not be present for meeting. He notified Chair before meeting when he knew that this was going to be a motion.

Item #4: Updates/Next Steps from February Meeting

- Ambrose Park meeting/ neighborhood meeting to be held in the future.(Most likely via Zoom Watch for the upcoming date from Elle Baker.**
- Still awaiting updates re: grant money to provide summer programming.**
- No next steps**

Item #5: Information regarding BCIL Webinar on February 16, 2021. Secretary Sudders addressed disabled community re: unavailability of Covid vaccines, assessing if / how to change 65+ and 2 comorbidities, several hundred participants were on hand for this Zoom Meeting.

Item #6: CODA (Commissions on Disabilities Alliance) – Monthly Conference call on February 3, 2021 - Continuation of communities setting up local commissions: more discussion on vaccine distribution and barriers to receiving vaccine.

Item #7: SEPAC Events & Updates / Scheduled March Events. No March meeting scheduled; waiting to be able to offer residents open forum for parents with kids covered under SPED. April is Autism Awareness Month awaiting on approved date from Mayor's office / plans for "celebration". Revere Parks and Recreation Department to bring back Special Olympics.

Item #8: Information from MOD (MA Office on Disabilities) 6th Annual Disability Summit - Virtually March 4, 2021. 4-hour conference, assistive technologies, MASSMATCH, Mass Rehab Commission, Asst. Dir MOD Training, ADA Trainer, Independent Associates/ Independent living programs, National Black Disability Coalition, Health equity during global pandemic

Item #9: Commission Members Late Items Parking reminders for residents, re: blocking driveways and sidewalks, keep areas clear for safe passage ; perhaps revisit lighting and parking issues and parking issues during Police Chief's progress if he can join a future Commission meeting.

Item #10: Residents' concerns/issues, questions, and Open Forum- None

Item #11: 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:

Motion to Adjourn:

Next Meeting: Next Meeting (Via Zoom) will be Tuesday April 13, 2021 at 6:00 PM