## Mayor's Advisory Commission on Disabilities

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 9, 2017

<u>Members Present:</u> Claire Hickey, RNC, Chair; Pat Seltzer, RN, City of Warwick; Tanisha Simpson; Karen Lombardi; Bob King; Brenda Gomez; Helen Bradshaw

Members Absent/Excused: Verteal Patterson; Hazel Foster-Doesschate; Barbara Livezey

**Honorary Members:** Edward "Stew" Stewart (not present)

**Guests:** N/A

Agenda Items	Discussion	Decision
1. Call to Order	Claire Hickey, RN, Chair opened the meeting at 4:30pm.	N/A
2. Verbal Attendance	Bob Gage has died: Claire sent a card to his family on behalf of the Commission. George Gange has resigned his appointment related to his adversity to the closing of the Buttonwoods Community Center.	Approved
3. Approval of Agenda	No discussion	Approved
4. Approval of Minutes from last meeting:	No discussion: March 14 <sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled related to the "blizzard" warning.	Approved
<b>5. Unfinished Business a.</b> Related to "Certificate of Appreciation" (COA) to local business, etc that demonstrate ease of access to those with special needs	a. No submissions presented.	a. Carry over to next meeting

a. Related to Valero (gas and convenience stores)	<b>a.</b> Brenda sent Pat pictures of the infractions at Valero related to parking at both 885 Post Rd. and 1625 Post Rd.	<b>a.</b> Pat will bring pictures to the Building Dept. to review and assess for correction.
6. New Business		
<b>f.</b> Related to Ocean State Center for Independent Living (OSCIL).	<b>f.</b> Commission invited the Director, Lorna Ricci to this meeting. No response was received.	<b>f.</b> Pat will send another invitation for the July meeting.
e. Related to cigarette smoking outside the doors at the Pilgrim Senior Center.	e. Additional signage and surveillance is in place and there has been a noticeable decrease in violations.	e. Pat will continue to monitor.
<b>d.</b> Related to snow removal	d. No discussion: carry to next meeting	d. Approved
c. Related to outreach	c. The Commission's agendas and minutes are now linked to the City's main page. Commission will wait for Mike McKenna to assist development of the Facebook page now that we have the Mayor's approval. Will carry over to next meeting.	c. Approved
<b>b.</b> Member Recruitment	<b>b.</b> Continue with requests to the Beacon and the Senior Center to publish member requests along with flyer distribution.	<b>b.</b> Approved

7. 2017 Meeting Dates	Location: Pilgrim Senior Center 27 Pilgrim Parkway Warwick, RI 02888  Dates: 7/11; 9/12; 11/14  Time: 4:30 pm	
8. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.	All in favor