

## Mayor's Advisory Commission on Disabilities

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

**Members Present:** Claire Hickey, RNC, Chair; Pat Seltzer, RN, City of Warwick; George Gange; Verteal Patterson; Barbara Livezey; Hazel Foster-Doesschate; Tanisha Simpson; Karen Lombardi

**Members Absent/Excused:** Edward "Stew" Stewart; Brenda Gomez; Kerry Walker; Bob King; Bob Gage;

### **Guests:**

Agenda Items	Discussion	Decision
<b>1. Call to Order</b>	Claire Hickey RN, Chair opened the meeting at 4:30pm.	
<b>2. Verbal Attendance</b>	Welcome to the Commission's newest appointed member, Karen Lombardi.  Discussed changing the day of the meetings from Wednesday to second Tuesday of every other month (beginning in January, 2017) to accommodate members who are having difficulty attending on Wednesdays.	All voted in favor (8 of 8).
<b>3. Approval of Agenda</b>	No discussion	Approved
<b>4. Approval of Minutes from last meeting:</b>	No discussion	Approved
<b>5. Unfinished Business</b>  a. Related to "Certificate of Appreciation" (COA) to local business, etc... that demonstrate ease of access to those with	a. Nominated: DSW	a. Pat will prepare the letter and certificate for signatures for the next meeting.

special needs		
<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 (8 of 8)
<b>c.</b> Related to outreach	<b>c.</b> The Commission's agendas and minutes are now linked to the City's main page.	<b>c.</b> Pat will continue to work with MIS to get the most recent information online.
<b>d.</b> Related to snow removal	<b>d.</b> Commission will send written reminders to DPW and their contracted plow operators to remind them about keeping special needs access spaces open. Will also ask Beacon to print a reminder.	<b>d.</b> Pat will Follow-up at next meeting
<b>e.</b> Related to Haxton's (Post Rd.) parking lot: signage	<b>e.</b> The sign has not been installed as promised to the Building inspector.	<b>e.</b> The Building Officer will issue a violation notice. Pat will monitor.
<b>f.</b> Related to Liquor Warehouse walkway	<b>f.</b> The problem has been corrected: the gap between the ramp and the sidewalk has been repaired.	<b>f.</b> No further action required.
<b>g.</b> Related to Macy's at Warwick Mall	<b>g.</b> The store is within legal parameters.	<b>g.</b> No further action required
<b>h.</b> Related to WPL- Sandy Lane	<b>h.</b> There are new "armed" chairs in the foyer for those that need support assist.	<b>h.</b> No further action required
<b>i.</b> Related to Buttonwoods	<b>i.</b> Pat reports a temporary fix has been done to prevent leaking	<b>i.</b> Pat will report progress as it

Community Center- water leakage in facility.	into the rest room.	occurs.
<b>j.</b> Related to Showcase Cinema emergency exits	<b>j.</b> The Building inspector (AJ) had to defer this action to another inspector and no report is available yet.	<b>j.</b> AJ will report findings once he has them.
<b>k.</b> Related to Texas Roadhouse emergency exits	<b>k.</b> The Building inspector (AJ) had to defer this action to another inspector and no report is available yet.	<b>k.</b> AJ will report findings once he has them.
<b>l.</b> Related to Barnes & Nobel entry doors	<b>l.</b> The building inspector (AJ) spoke with management who committed to adjusting the door.	<b>l.</b> AJ will report findings once he has them.
<b>m.</b> Related to Accessible RI resource guides	<b>m.</b> Senior Services plans to purchase 200 copies	<b>m.</b> No further action required.
<b>6. New Business</b>		
<b>a.</b> Related to WPD automatic door opener	<b>a.</b> The automatic door at WPD (outside door) not working	<b>a.</b> Pat will follow up with WPD staff
<b>7. 2016 Meeting Dates</b>	<b>Location:</b> Buttonwoods Community Center 3027 West Shore Rd. Warwick, RI 02886 <b>Time:</b> 4:30 pm  <b>Please note: the scheduled dates are the third Wednesday, not the second as has always been the practice in the past.</b>	<b>11/16/16</b>
<b>8. Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.	All in favor (8 of 8)