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Barnstable Disability Commission

Minutes

April 15, 2015

Barnstable Senior Center
Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA 02601

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Sheila Mulcahy, Chair; Pat Andres, Vice Chair; Raye Kaddy; Paul Logan; Merrill Blum; Anne Mazzola; and Tammy Cunningham.

Others present: Dick Andres.

Public Comment – None

Madeline Noonan had approached the Commission to discuss the possibility of having the BDC office located in the Senior Center. A brief discussion was held. Merrill Blum made a motion to move the office location from the JFK Museum to the Barnstable Senior Center, contingent upon space and rent, Paul Logan seconded.

Sheila Mulcahy stated she was contacted by Information Technology to advise the printer located in the BDC office is broken and would need to be replaced. It was determined the BDC would table the discussion until more information is gathered on the possibility of moving the office.

Review of minutes of 3/18/15 – Raye Kaddy made a motion approve, Paul Logan seconded.

Review of minutes of 3/18/15 sub committee meeting – Paul Logan moved to approve, Raye Kaddy seconded.

Treasurer report –

Discussion on planned expenditures and reserves –

Paul Logan stated he talked with Madeline Noonan about his concerns with the ramp at the Senior Center entrance. Paul Logan stated they are in the process of modifying the parking lot and it would be a good time to address the matter. Architectural drawings will be required.

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Planned future expenditures are scholarships, access training, and rent.

A brief discussion was held on the reserve policy in the BDC fund. Paul Logan made a motion to keep a reserve of \$10,000 in the BDC handicap parking fine fund, Merrill Blum seconded.

Office Report - Sheila Mulcahy commented she had received a letter from a resident of Cotuit concerning placing a bench at Rileys beach in memory of a resident that had passed away. Tammy Cunningham will contact Structures & Grounds and Lynne Poyant.

Sheila Mulcahy stated Mr. Beatty had left a message stating he would like a copy of last months meeting sent to him.

Sheila Mulcahy commented on a message she had received from Davis Square Architects concerning a variance. Sheila will follow up on this matter.

Additional discussion was held on the possibility of relocating the office to the Senior Center. Topics to address with Madeline Noonan are office hours, furniture, expense, supplies, and rent.

Reminder of Ethics Training Online - Tammy Cunningham to report back on the status of BDC members conflict of interest training.

Recap of J. Dougan, MOD visit - Update from Jeff Dougan of MOD – No similar bills have been filed concerning handicap parking fine funds and CORD access training is scheduled for June 23rd and June 24th.

Early Childhood Center playground at Hyannis West - Sheila Mulcahy and Raye Kaddy held a discussion on the Early Childhood Center Playground at Hyannis West. The playground would be designed for children of all abilities.

After a review of the drawing, proposal, and discussion, Raye Kaddy made a motion that the Barnstable Disability Commission provide \$35,000 for construction of the Barnstable Early Childhood Center playground to be located at Hyannis West with the stipulation that recognition be given to Barnstable Disability Commission, on site at the playground, Anne Mazzola seconded. Unanimous.

Site Loss Services – A discussion was held on Ms. Stead's information and the importance of the services. Paul Logan made a motion to provide a \$2,000 stipend to Site Loss Services with the stipulation that the funding be directed to benefit Town of Barnstable residents, Pat Andres seconded. Unanimous.

Art Therapy by T. Leighton – Discussion tabled to a future meeting.

Scholarships – Raye Kaddy reported Linda Cook is working on scholarships. Scholarship awards for this year are \$5000.

Loop Beach Project – Tammy Cunningham will check in on the status of the Loop Beach ramp with Steve Sundelin.

Portable bathroom units – Merrill Blum made a motion to encumber \$2500 for summer 2015 portable bathroom units at Covell’s beach and Loop beach, Pat Andres seconded.

Senior Center Access – This topic will be discussed at next months meeting. Paul Logan will follow up with Madeline Noonan and Structures & Grounds.

Visibility for the BDC – A discussion was held on the best practices to get information out to residents on the Barnstable Disability Commission and ways in which the BDC can help. Paul Logan will be inviting a Communications professional to the next BDC meeting to discuss this matter.

Common Victual License – Discussion tabled until the next meeting.

Cape Cod Commission – Sheila Mulcahy stated she would be getting together with Tammy Cunningham to draft a letter to Mr. Beatty.

Surveys will be placed on next months agenda.

Paul Logan will be sending a letter to Tammy Cunningham which should be sent with the ADA Checklist booklet guide going to applicable Town departments.

Raye Kaddy made a motion to adjourn at 12:07 p.m., Merrill Blum seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L. Cunningham

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is to advise and guide the Town of Barnstable and the general public regarding
issues of accessibility in accordance with the American's With Disabilities Act (ADA)**

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