

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES

NOTICE OF MEETING February 01st, 2021 | 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom: <u>https://zoom.us/i/97074324930?pwd=bWQyVUdYVUdnNnpHeG5NL2avYithQT09</u>

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Meeting Agenda

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:02.

Pledge Allegiance if flag is available

<u>Mission Statement</u> – "Our mission is to address the needs and concerns of our disabled residents and provide their full participation in the activities and services of Wakefield."

Public Participation

Approval of Minutes from January 04, 2021 meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Lois and seconded by Lorna.

Financial Report as of January 31, 2021

No new financial items were reported.

Old/New Business

- Website update Maeve & Paula Putting final touches on the website
- Continue discussion related to Intelligent Lives

The committee wants to have a meeting to view the video so we can come up with the follow-up activities and questions to lead the discussion. Darci will follow-up with Sherri Dalton to see the procedure for meeting in between the formal meetings. The committee would like to meet to view the Intelligent Lives video on Monday, Feburary 22^{nd} . Maeve and Marie will work on the FB page.



• Update on Banner – Lois and Bill

We can continue to be Wakefield Commission on Disability Issues for official name but use Commission on Disability for FB page and other branding. We need to come to consensus as a group.

Do we want to remove the word issues to the name of the committee. We did a vote to determine to change the name:

All are in favor for the removing "issue". Roll call was taken and everyone voted yes to change the name. We will need to provide documentation and evidence for changing the name. Marie will find out the process and might be able to join the other committee Cultural Council wants to change their name to Arts Council to not be confused with the Albion Cultural Center.

• Discussion on ADA Transition Plan and update on Assistance/Accommodations at Town Meetings and All Public Town Meetings

We need to formalize a list of stakeholders with Bill to include in the ADA transition and plan and the grant they are submitting. There are certain group homes and other agencies that need to be targeted but to be sure there is a point person to listed for each stakeholder. Intellectual disabilities, mobility, including senior housing. There are other groups that Bill might need support with linking to other stakeholders he is not currently connected with.

• Goals and By-laws – Formal decision and vote

Jeff Dugan talked with us about bylaws in a past meeting. Bill believes our current goals and by-laws are sufficient. The committee took a vote on whether to keep our current goals and by-laws instead of writing new bylaws. Marie made a motion to keep the current goals and bylaws as written in the town.

Marie-yes Darci-yes Lorna-yes Paula-yes Lois-yes Levonne-yes Cheri-yes

Maeve-yes

Wrap-up Next Meeting March 01, 2021

Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Marie and seconded by Darci at 7:55

Respectfully Submitted by Marie Rej and Lorna Davidson-Connelly, Co-chairs

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