

# The Town of Millbury Commission on Disabilities

Municipal Office Building 127 Elm Street Millbury, Ma. 01527

## **Meeting Minutes**

Date; April 11, 2019

Time; 6:30 PM

#### Present;

Mike Kennedy; Chair, Debbi Dymek; Secretary, Jim Clifford, Kent Stowe; Treasurer And Tom Brown; Vice Chair.

#### Guest:

Justin Dobson, applicant for membership

### Meeting Minutes;

The minutes for the February 14, 2019 meeting were read and accepted as read,. Motion by Tom to accept and second by Jim. All members voted unanimously.

The commission members welcomed Justin Dobson to our meeting. He is interested in joining our commission and would be a great asset to our group. Mike explained to Justin some of the requirements of the commission, when we were established and as an advocate commission, what we try to accomplish in town. Justin then gave us a brief explanation of his background and why he wants to join our commission.

## Millbury Commission on Disability Appointment Status:

Mike sent a letter to the Town Manager and also to the Town Clerk requesting that they remove Renee Ernest from our commission.

After Renee not responding to our letter asking if she would like to serve on the Disability Commission or to resign her membership in writing to do so. We received no response.

Mike is also going to contact the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle to place an ad for more members. If he places it in the free publication, it will reach more people in the community.

## Bi-Laws Change Regarding Number of COD Members:

Mike went back to the current operating Bi-laws,

under Membership; Section 1 Article 2 originally it read:

It is the responsibility of the members to recruit and recommend perspective members to the commission subsequent to appoint by the Town Manager.

Amend Section 1 Article 2 of the bi-laws limiting the Commission on Disability members to be 7.

At the last meeting we voted to start the process of changing the numbers of members. Now we have to vote on the amendment for this change.

Tom made the motion to accept the amendment for change and Jim second the motion. All voted unanimously.

Tom made a motion to recommend Justin for membership in our commission, Debbi second the motion.

All voted unanimously.

Justin was then told that he would have to contact the Town Manager and express his interest in joining the Millbury Disability Commission.

## Millbury Self-Evaluation Transition Plan:

Since 2006 the Millbury Disability Commission has had a transition plan. Some things listed in this plan have been accomplished, but a good percentage have not. It is time to start doing more improvements.

Mike will send our Town Manager a list of improvements to our Town Hall according to this transition plan.

Debbi made a motion to have Mike send a list of improvements for our Town Hall to our Town Manager according to the Transition Plan of Millbury, Tom second the motion,. All voted unanimously.

The town is seeking a grant to improve Armory Village; such as improving the intersection and curb cuts in the center of town.

Hopefully we will receive this grant.

#### New Business:

Debbi gave the treasurer, Kent, a sale slip for reimbursement for purchases for her secretarial supplies. He will turn it in to the financial department director for reimbursement.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Tom and second by Debbi. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on May 9, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Debbi Dymek, Secretary

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