

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
November 3, 2014
AGENDA

Current:

- Approval of October 6, 2014 minutes
- Telephone and Office Report for September

On-going/Status:

- Community Center/Walk Through Upon Completion
- Town Hall Accessible Entrance
 - Design plan status - update from Christine Stickney
- Old Thayer Library - Design Plan Status - Update from Christine Stickney
- Progress of Town Wide Transition Plan - write letter to the Mayor on what suggested next steps need to be taken
- Parks & Recreation:
 - Highlands Playground/Missing Swing Harnesses/RockNGlide locked in place status
 - Charlotte Rose Playground - Status of removal of barrier around playground and update on walkway and HP parking and status of replacement harnesses for swings - Letter sent to Mayor via email on 10/10/14
 - Water Wheels/Beach Access Chair - On Hold
 - Hollingsworth Baseball Park - Update
- Rt. 37/state re-surfacing project/curb cuts and ramps status as well as on-going road & sidewalk work town is doing. Update
- What are the plans for the pool and rink at high school since management company has been selected - still in negotiations?
- BEMA - What do the shelter plans entail for people of disabilities in a disaster, article in Ledger stating that the high school would be the main location. Closed Caption not available for the Braintree Public Access TV programs? Invited Bob James/Head of BEMA to Sept 2nd meeting & Tonight's meeting Daugherty Gym/BEMA - Reached out to Bob James
- Polling Places/Accessibility - Report from Jim Casey
- Handicap Parking Placard Program - Fraudulent Use of Placard or Plate - Chief of Police
- Mass. Office on Disabilities/Community Access Monitor Program Update
- Housing:
 - Braintree Housing Authority - Plan for walk through of Heritage Drive Housing complex
 - Multi-Family Adaptable Housing/Chapter 9 of 521 CMR - No accessible units are mandated
 - Where in Braintree are the accessible housing units, i.e. apartments, affordable accessible apartments, Section 8 accessible homes and/or apartments located? Tabled
- South Shore Plaza - Sears garage entrance status/Russ Forsberg
- Town Hall lower level entrance door sticks and will not open on windy day (10/2) and water continues to pool at the landing right outside the door on the right

New

- Disability Handicap Indicator Program/Braintree Police
- BELD - Bright Ideas
- Curb cut at Pearl Street entrance to Shaw's parking lot needs to be looked at; resident in wheelchair is having trouble maneuvering through that area as well as the corner of Franklin and Central streets, tree roots impeding safe travel
- DPW/Snow Removal - What is the contact name and #
Major areas that get neglected: Bus stops, sidewalk between Dunkin Donuts and the Braintree T Station
- Why aren't there audible signals at all major intersections in Braintree?
- High School grounds, back road in, curb cuts?
- Pond Street, lack of curb cuts?