

**COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
NOVEMBER 2, 2015 MINUTES**

In Attendance

Board members: Barbara Tennison, Crystal Evans-Pradhan,
Judy Coletta, Lynn Vaillancourt, Robin Torpey
Building Dept. Liaison: Mike McGourty
Mayor's Liaison: Chris Griffin
Town Council Representative:
Meeting Opened: 6:02 PM **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:30M
Approved: October meeting notes: Motion to Approve 5-0-2

October Phone Calls Received: 2 calls

Budget: \$

Town Buildings:

Transition Plan: Awaiting follow up from Mayor Sullivan
Town Hall/Old Thayer Library: Town Hall - 1st Floor restrooms are being modified to make them HC accessible. COD is concerned with the long route from the parking area to the Town Hall with the design plans and wanted to see a new design. Per Christine Stickney, CPC didn't like the most up to date architectural design and did not like the idea of using CPC funds to determine a preliminary design and cost for the redesign of the plans.

Daugherty Gym: No update
BEMA: No update
Braintree Athletic Complex: Received a small scale version of the architectural plans. Awaiting copy from Russ of the complete plans.

Town Parks & Recreation

Highlands Playground: Per Nelson Chin, the swing harnesses have been installed at the Highlands and Charlotte Rose playgrounds

Conservation Land Access/Eaton Pond No update

Streets and Roads:

SeeClickFix App:	Per Chris G., the app will be launched in the near future
Snow Removal:	No update
The Home Aid Project:	No update

Miscellaneous:

Handicap Parking Program:	Tabled
Fraudulent use of HP placard:	Tabled
Disability Handicap Indicator Program:	Tabled
Silent 911 Status Update:	Tabled
Braintree Housing Authority:	Tabled
Advertising of HP Funds:	No update
Wheelchair Accessible Taxi:	The commission discussed the new platform cargo carrier that can be installed on the back of a van to transport a wheelchair, this could come in handy for example when a person who requires a wheelchair is hospitalized and would need their custom wheelchair in order to move throughout the hospital
Facebook Page Status:	Page is up and running
Social Media Campaign:	Crystal Evans-Pradhan will reach out to the photographer
ADA Coordinator position	Job has been posted
300 Granite Street (Old Fidelity Bldg)	Automatic door mechanism has been repaired and is in working order, per Grossman Mgmt.

Voting:

Election ballot call button update:	Per Barbara, no update
Polling Places updates:	Per Jim Casey 10/02 all polling place updates have been completed

New Business:

Logan Park Apartment Complex	Elevator is out of order. Concerns about residents being able to exit the building. A chair lift will be installed in the rear of the building to allow residents to safely exit and enter the building.
Marshalls Dept. Store	Letter sent to the Manager of the store to remind him to clear the shopping carts from walkway and parking lot in order for shoppers to travel safely throughout the area.
Weymouth Comm. on Disabilities	Lisa Jennings joined us at our meeting to see what Braintree's commission has been up to and to see if there were any initiatives that both towns could join forces on.

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 7, 2015 – CAHILL AUDITORIUM

(BT 12/03/15)