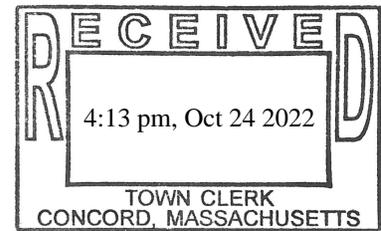


Concord Commission on Disabilities  
Minutes August 11, 2022



5:05 p.m. meeting called to order.

Present

Jean Goldsberry, presiding chair

Karen Young, Meryl Schwartz, Mary Beth Barker, Janet Beyer,

Guest Linda Escobedo, Beth Williams

Jean reported that Kellie Hebert, the new assistant Town Manager, is interested in the commission. She and Linda met with Jean and discussed the commission. She has been named the ADA coordinator for the Town.

Jean introduced Beth Williams, Economic Vitality and Tourism Manager for the Town.

Jean asked if the visitors center will be involved in the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. And Beth said it would be.

Karen: I think more substantial signage regarding the trolley might be good. For instance, near Woods Hill Table in West Concord. And I don't believe there is a sign on Main Street leading you to the trolley station.

Beth: The budget is limited. Concord museum and the Visitor's Center have signs.

Beth said there were two new adaptive bikes, stationed at the Visitor's Center. There are 17 licensed guides and a tour leaves at 1 p.m. daily. The shuttle busses are ADA compliant. These will operate through November 15. The Concord Trolley is free and ADA compliant.

The Visitors Center has 10 pedal bikes and 2 adaptive bikes. The cost is \$1.50 for 30 minutes. A bike will be put at the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail.

Karen asked if there had been any use of the bikes in the center because they did not seem to be well used. Beth said they were considering a relocation of the center bikes. She praised the accessibility of the trolleys.

Beth said there is a website about the trolleys in the Concord tourism site. And the African American Concord tour can be done by bike.

Jean: Erin Stevens, information officer for Concord, will speak to us in September to help promote the commission

Karen: Mary Beth was looking for people interested in our commission. Who is responsible for posting the recordings? And why are we not on that list?

Linda: Because of some changes in the Town Managers office and setting up hybrid meetings this might change. I would let the town manager's office know. This is not the only committee with this problem.

Meryl: Concord Market does not have a door that opens easily. The parking is not great, no handicapped parking at the door. It is quite inaccessible.

Jean: Think of questions for Erin, things we want her to highlight in her social media posts

September 8 next meeting

Meeting adjourned 6:05

Minutes submitted, Janet Beyer clerk