



Commission for Citizens with Disabilities

March 1, 2016 – 6:40 PM – **Minutes**
133 William Street, City Hall, Ashley Room

Members Present:

Josh Amaral
Martha Bouchard
Rev. Pam Cole
Dennis DeMarinis
Marsha Fernandes

Members Excused:

Jaunna Adesso
Kim Bettencourt
Brooke Miller
John Tyson

Others in Attendance:

Cynthia Wallquist, Exec. Director
BG Shanklin, Architect
Phil Zukas

Minutes

Josh Amaral moved to accept the February 1, 2016 minutes; seconded by Dennis DeMarinis. Motion carried.

Martha Bouchard, Vice Chair, called the meeting of the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities to order @ 6:40PM. Because of the number of members absent, motion was made by Dennis to table all business other than the Architect's Report; Josh seconded. Motion carried.

Architect's Report

BG Shanklin reported on:

- **YWCA**

He reviewed the YWCA's Standish House plans for the addition (\$2,400,000 renovation cost) and recommends a limited use elevator. Motion was made by Pam Cole and seconded by Josh Amaral that BG Shanklin recommend the installation of a LULE and that he is to use his professional judgment on other parts of the building review. The project will be revisited at the April meeting.

- **Euphoria Lounge**

He just received the project proposal and will do a site visit and follow up with the Building Department.

- **Pilgrim Church Hall**

He worked with the minister to provide information for a CDBG application; would cost \$60K for a lift, bathrooms and kitchen. He estimates \$1 million to renovate the 2nd floor and bring it up to code.

- **PAACA Building**

A new platform lift is needed and the cost will be roughly \$14K; \$4 million to renovate the entire building

- **143 Pleasant St.**

A chair lift will fit inside

- **Union Baptist Church minister** has not been back in touch with him. Pam Cole reported that the congregation is scheduled to vote on improvements March 6th.

He continued his work on the Transition Plan updates but there have been no updates from the School Dept. re: NBHS issues. Josh will arrange for BG to appear before the School Department's Facilities Subcommittee to discuss that as well as what is needed from them re: their part of the Transition Plan.

Josh Amaral moved to accept the architect's report; seconded by Dennis DeMarinis. Motion carried.

Announcements

- The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Josh Amaral and seconded by Dennis DeMarinis. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dennis DeMarinis, Jr.", with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Dennis DeMarinis, Jr.
Secretary