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Disabilities Commission

Meeting Minutes for February 12th, 2019

Scheduled Meeting; Town Hall, Draper Room 7:00 p.m.

Members present; Gerard Small, Vincent Arone, Mark Francis

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. with all current Commission members in attendance.

New Business-

A Talent Bank Form was received from Kevin Chambers with interest to fill a vacancy on the Disabilities Commission. The form was reviewed by all members. Kevin was scheduled to attend the Meeting but weather conditions were unfavorable and we will meet with Kevin on the March 19th scheduled Meeting. Discussion on Kevin's interest to serve on the Commission was embraced by all members. A motion was made from Member Vincent Arone and seconded by Member Mark Francis, to allow Kevin to attend next months Meeting before the Commission acts on a recommendation to Selectman in consideration for appointment. The motion was made unanimous by Commission Chair Gerard Small and we welcome Kevin on the 3/19/19 scheduled meeting.

Old Business-

The topic of the Town Hall restrooms were discussed and how we move forward towards compliance with The Americans with Disabilities Act regulations. The Commission members all recognize that this issue needs to be rectified and revisited with the Board of Selectman. Chairman Small recommended to open discussions with Town Administrator Steve Sette on moving forward and the process needed to obtain funding for such a project. Recommendations to have the Board of Health and Building Commissioner's input as well as role in the compliance issue were noted by Gerard Small and agreed by members. A meeting with the Town Administrator would be scheduled at his nearest convenience.

The Commission also discussed the need for Town Employee Disability Training awareness to recognize those who may be Disabled and protocol used in everyday scenarios. Gerard Small recommended discussing this training with the Superintendent of Schools to see what Training the state mandates for teachers and administration personal. This help will be beneficial to what our needs are. Contact with the school will be forthcoming in the near future.

Adjournment; Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Gerard Small, Commission Chair