

# The Town of Millbury Commission on Disabilities

Municipal Office Building 127 Elm Street Millbury, Ma. 01527

## Meeting Minutes

Date; November 9, 2017 Time; 6:30 PM

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#### Present;

Mike Kennedy; Chair, Debbi Dymek; Secretary, Jim Clifford,, Tom Brown; Vice Chair and Kent Stowe; Treasurer.

#### Guest:

None

#### **Meeting Minutes**;

The minutes for the October 12 meeting were read and accepted as read. Motion by Tom to accept and second by Kent. All members voted unanimously.

#### Master Plan;

Mike announced that there would be a Master Plan meeting in the large conference room on November 15 at 2:30 pm. None of the members could attend due to other commitments. Tom mentioned that if these meetings were in the evening, maybe more people could attend.

### Asa Waters Bandstand;

According to the AAB, they sent a complaint closed notice in January 2017 to the Town, so in their eyes the project is complete. There was no mention of handicap parking or a walkway to the bandstand from the parking area in the original complaint.

#### Downtown Infrastructure;

Laurie contacted Mike and explained to him that there will be no construction of the intersection at Main and Elm St. this year. She is trying to appropriate more money.

A recommendation was made to get the Town Manager and the new DPW director in for our next meeting so we can ask them some questions.

We are still waiting for a handicap parking area near the Elm Draft House Cinema.

#### Announcements;

Mike was explaining about the ABLE savings plan (Achieving a Better Life Experience) Americans with disabilities have the opportunity to save and invest in a tax-advantaged account for short and long term expenses while keeping benefits such as Social Security and Medicade. Fidelity Investment manages this account; disabled adults can set up an account as long as they have a significant disability that occurred prior to their 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. These monies can be used at their discretion for anything that is related to their disability, such as adaptive equipment, nursing or for long term care when their parents are gone.

For more information please contact Mike Kennedy.

Kent said, that Bruce from Northbridge has not as of yet contacted him. This issue on putting the money from handicap parking tickets in a fund will have to be pursued on our own. Mike has the knowledge on how to do this. We would have to discuss this issue with the Chief of Police.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Debbi second the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on December 14, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Debbi Dymek, Secretary

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