



Town of Sheffield
Commission on Disabilities
Town Hall – 21 Depot Square
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Friday, April 20, 2018
Bushnell Sage Library, Upstairs Meeting Room
Meeting officially opened at 10:40 AM

Commission Members

Present: Laura Grunfeld, Chair
Dale Alden
Priscilla Rueger
Absent: Gail Mullen
Guests: None

Grunfeld called the Commission on Disabilities (COD) meeting officially open at 10:40 AM. Per request of the Select Board, the COD records its meetings.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1.) **Approval of March 16, 2018 COD Minutes:** *By consensus, the March 16, 2018 minutes were approved.*
- 2.) **Update: Sidewalks and parking:** The group discussed accessibility problems with the sidewalks and parking spaces in Sheffield and Ashley Falls and the pedestrian crossings for Route 7. Several members of the COD had attended the 18th Annual Berkshire Disabilities Legislative Breakfast where they had a brief conversation with Senator Adam Hinds. He suggested looking into the Department Of Transportation's Complete Streets funding program. The members of the COD began composing an email to Rhonda LaBombard and the Select Board proposing that the Town of Sheffield look into applying for this grant. There was not enough time to complete the email and that will continue at the next meeting.
- 3.) **Update: COD Education:** This topic was tabled until the next meeting.
- 4.) **June Mailing:** The group began discussing what information to include in this mailing and will continue discussions at the next meeting. The COD will deliver camera-ready copy to LaBombard by May 15.
- 5.) **H.R. 620 Update:** This topic was tabled until the next meeting.
- 6.) **Sheffield Times Jul/Aug article:** This topic was tabled until the next meeting.
- 7.) **Member's Items:** There were none.
- 8.) **Items for the next meeting's agenda:** June Mailing, Update on sidewalk meeting with BOS, Sheffield Times July/Aug article, Sheffield Farmer's Market booth, COD Education update, HR 620 status.

9.) **Date, time, place for next meeting:** The next meeting will be Friday, May 4, 2018, 10:30 AM, at Bushnell Sage Library.

10.) **Communications:** Sheffield Farmer's Market notice.

11.) **Adjournment:** *Grunfeld moved to close the meeting. It was seconded by Mullen, thirded by Rueger, and Fourthed by Alden.* The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Grunfeld". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura Grunfeld
Chair, Commission on Disabilities