

Bridgewater Disability Commission Agenda
Wednesday March 17th - 3 pm
Zoom Call { Link to be sent via separate email }

Members: Dave Frim, Lorraine Carrozza, Henry Goldsmith. Anna Nakouzzi, Karen Aicher
Guests: Zach Chipman, Gloria Lemieux

Call to order at 3 pm:

New Business: Introduction of New Members Karen Aicher, Lorraine Carrozza

After a hiatus due to the Covid outbreak, now is the perfect time for the Bridgewater Disability Commission to resume operation!

Welcoming new members Karen Aicher and Lorraine Carrozza, the Commission is fully staffed with 5 members. We are fortunate to have Zach Chipman and Gloria Lemieux involved with our cause.

With many businesses, town offices, restaurants and sports venues re-opening in some capacity, and Spring weather in the near horizon, I am hoping that we may be able to assemble in person in the near future according to town directives.

After this initial kickoff meeting, future Disability Commission Meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month at 3 pm. The next Disability Commission Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 14th at 3 pm.

In order to conduct and hold a meeting, the Bridgewater Disability Commission must maintain a minimum quorum of 3 members. We are slated for 5 members in total. It is very important that everyone try to attend as many meetings as possible for the Disability Commission to be effective. If the current date and time for future meetings do not work well for all members involved, it will be a simple process to change the date / time to one that works well for all. It is also important to let me know in advance if you are not able to attend a meeting.

It is great to get back together today as a fully staffed Disability Commission! The Zoom number/ link will be emailed to each of you a week prior to the meeting. If there is any question of how to use Zoom, please reach out in advance of call. I will be happy to walk you through the steps!

Business:

1. Fill available positions on the Disability Commission: Vice Chairman, Secretary.
2. Academy Building accessibility update: Plans for a more accessible side entrance to the Academy Building. Information to be discussed at April town meeting.
3. Academy Building accessibility to main front entrance. Time frame for paver walkway to be replaced.
4. Academy Building parking situation plans and improvement as Bridgewater Town Hall reopens in near future.

5. Memorial Building update on construction and handicap accessibility.
6. Improve communication and follow-up with Bridgewater Town management, utilizing ideas and a team philosophy in accomplishing Disability goals for Bridgewater. Work with Town Manager Mike Dutton, Town Clerk Marilee Hunt for ideas and plans that would better serve the community
7. Working with Bridgewater town infrastructure: BSU, Elder Affairs Commission?
8. Reach out to Bridgewater Residents to better realize issues and hardships facing the community. Utilize Bridgewater Residents site, Elder Affairs site, etc.
9. New ideas and goals

Open : Questions ?

Meeting Ends:

Next Meeting: Wednesday April 14th at 3 pm