

Minutes of Sharon Commission on Disabilities December 16, 2015

In attendance: Paul Remy, Geila Aronson, Chanie Minkowitz, Kathleen Medeiros, Susan Myerson, Peter Melvin, Susan Myerson

Treasurer's report: As of January 21, 2016 we have \$2901.97 in the Donations Account and \$1292.57 in the Ticket Fund.

Old Business:

Kathleen Medeiros, the new Council on Aging Director introduced herself and offered us support and suggestions.

Paul is hoping to meet with Kathleen and Jerry to determine which additional audio visual equipment is needed for people with hearing and visual impairments.

Members of the Commission agreed to ask the COA to help inform and educate residents about the results of the Accessibility Study which would cost the town 2.7 million dollars to make Town Hall and other facilities handicapped accessible. The request for money for this project will be made at the May Town Meeting.

Commission election results: Paul Remy, Chairperson; Geila Aronson, Treasurer. We need to elect a Secretary because Geila Aronson has been doing both jobs.

New Business:

Handicapped Parking at the Sharon Train Station: results of meeting on December 17, 2015

Campaign to educate residents about need for handicapped accessibility to town buildings.

Funding for Ames St Playground and making it handicapped accessible.

Developing a TV program to educate the public about disability issues, with Jana Katz as host.

Distribution of T shirts and discussion of how to sell the remaining shirts.

New member of commission: Chanie Minkowitz

The next meeting will be held on January 27, 2016 at the Adult Center Conference Room.