

Sharon Disabilities Commission

Minutes, 2/26/14

Present: Linda Salon, Susan Myerson, Jim Waters, Geila Aronson, Sandy Biber, and Faye Berzon (as a guest and potential member). Absent: Paul Remy, Jeffrey Jacobson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm. Minutes from the previous meeting were not available, and it was agreed that they would be reviewed at the next meeting.

All present were introduced. Faye Berzon spent a few minutes discussing her background and training, as well as her interest in serving on the Commission. All present felt she would be a great addition. Jana Katz's resume was reviewed, and all were interested in meeting her.

Treasurer's report:

Jeff Jacobson was not present, but had provided a treasurers' update:

- Previous Balance: \$2,311.00
- Deposits (handicapped parking fines): \$ 542.00
- New Balance: \$2,853.00

The balance of the administrative account was not available.

The treasurer's report was accepted.

The request to award a High School Senior with a scholarship was discussed. A motion was made and seconded to award a \$750 scholarship, with a possible increase up to \$1,000 depending on the success of our fundraiser. The motion was approved. It was agreed that Geila would complete the form and turn it into the high school.

Old Business:

I. Train Station

Some work has been done. The group noted that it was positive that progress was being made.

II. Mural Project

It was reported that the Board of Selectmen approved displaying the mural completed by the Binah students at Memorial Beach, with a dedication this summer. The Selectman also approved a second mural to be completed for the 250th anniversary of Sharon. This will have a theme of Disabilities and Diversity.

After some discussion, the group agreed that it would be good to go to the dedication in the summer. It was agreed that more details about the second mural

would be helpful. Geila agreed to call Tova (from the Binah Students group). A motion was made and seconded to support Paul's request to do a blog about the project.

III. Accessibility:

a. Swinging doors at Community Center:

Jim reported to the group that the door had been removed.

b. A reported problem with the soap dispensers at the Adult Center women's bathroom was discussed; the site turned out to be at Coriander Restaurant. No decision was reached regarding action.

IV. Commission Brochure:

The brochure was reviewed. There was consensus that the brochure and web-site should match. Sandy agreed to verify that they did. It was also agreed that Susan would review for grammatical accuracy and send Sandy changes. Sandy will bring a final version to the next meeting.

V. Snow Date for future meetings:

It was agreed that if a meeting was canceled due to snow, it would automatically be rescheduled to the following week.

VI. Fundraiser

Two possible dates were discussed:

Sunday June 1 and Sunday June 8.

A meeting before the next Commission meeting was agreed upon; Geila agreed to check and see if it would be possible to meet at Hixson Farms on the 19th, and to update all by email regarding this date.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. The meeting was closed at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandy Biber