

Sharon Commission on Disabilities

January 27, 2021

Where: Zoom

Meeting called to order: 7:05

Attendance: Paul Remy, Susan Myerson, Lois Diamond, and Gela Aronson, and Susan Friedman

Absent: Richard Seronick, James Newton, and Asma Abdullah

Ruth Beckerman-Rodeau is looking to join the Commission – non-profit experience in the disability – retired recently – looks to ensure that those with disabilities have strong advocacy

1 opening – Ruth has submitted her application to the Select Board – waiting for response for interview

Minutes from 11.18.20 have been approved.

Treasurer's Report – Geila Aronson

Gen: \$500

Ticket: \$16,198.17 (returned money from the funds that were used from the CARES Act

Donation: \$1,227.97

Clear Window Face Masks – Schools need smile masks and anti-fog liquid as well

James talked to Jessica Murphy – they said they need 16 masks in total

Best Value – 2 packs for \$120 Plus anti-fog liquid for \$258 in total

Determining whether this is still needed?

Inviting Andrea Pannone from the Sharon Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SSEPA) to entertain a proposal

Letter concerning crosswalks – Only 4 cross walks can be replaced – can replace the brick to concrete

Reviewed a map of the 14 possible locations

The Commission will select the four crosswalks that need to be replaced first

The Town is seeking additional funding for replacing the other ten crosswalks

Three issues with the crosswalks in general:

- Timing of lights

- Brick and uneven surfaces at crosswalks
- Ability to engage the signal without pushing a button

In 2021, the Town will be seeking funding for replacing the brick sidewalks

Housing Authority – Geila will reconnect Nancy to explain the hardware needed and are we the only source of funding

Mental Health Care Packages for Hixson farm – Asma will follow up with this

Showing Crip Camp – Sharon Racial Equity Alliance – Need to figure a platform for which to create a program around this. Possible donations.

February article for The View is on Vaccination – Paul is getting his shot on Thursday and will post his pictures.

Dawn Phelps is coordinating the scholarship information for the High School recipients. Deadline is April.

Next Meeting: February 24, 2021 at 7pm

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 pm Motion by Geila Aronson