

Sharon Commission on Disabilities  
Minutes of May 25, 2022 Meeting  
Location: Zoom  
Called to order: 7:05 pm.

Present: Paul Remy, Susan Myerson, Geila Aronson, Todd Arnold, Lois Diamond, Asma Abdullah, Ruth Beckerman-Rodau  
Absent: Susan Friedman, James Newton

**1. April Minutes**

Motion made and seconded to approve April 2022 minutes as presented with the following addition: \$100 donation received from One Book, One Town program. Motion approved.

**2. Treasurer's report**

Commission Treasurer Geila Aronson reported the balances of the following funds:

General Fund / Office Supply Fund	\$ 500.00
Handicapped Parking Fee Fund/Revolving Fun	\$14,498.17
Fundraising (donations)	<u>\$ 1,227.97</u>
Total	\$16,226.14

**3. Scholarships**

Commission Treasurer Geila Aronson reported that she contacted the Town CFO who was unable to tell her whether the 2021 and 2022 scholarship recipients had been sent their \$1,000 checks. Ms. Aronson to follow-up by recontacting Town CFO in person.

**5. Sharon Housing Authority**

Ruth Beckerman-Rodau to contact Sharon Housing Authority to determine if residents are in need of door levers and if so whether financial support from the Commission is desired. In addition, Ruth Beckerman-Rodau to ask Sharon Housing Authority if shopping carts are needed for use by residents who are unloading groceries from their cars.

**6. Eagle Scout Project.**

Paul Remy reported that he has not yet heard from the Eagle Scout.

**7. Crescent Ridge Accessibility**

Paul Remy reported that the Commission sent the owner of Crescent Ridge a letter by regular mail informing owner that a member of the public reported to the Commission that a Crescent Ridge staff member inappropriately responded to his need to use the inside counter due to a disability. Paul reported that no response has been received from the owner. Todd Arnold will reach out to owner Mark Parish.

**8. Accessibility of New High School**

Commission members will be offered an opportunity to walk through the new High School in August.

#### **9. Article for *The View***

Ruth Beckerman-Rodau agreed to write an article for the July issue of the Council on Aging's *The View* about the 2022 recipient of the Leslie Krieger Scholarship.

#### **10. MassMatch**

Paul Remy shared that he is a member of the MassMatch Council, a MA Rehabilitation Commission program that promotes the use of assistive technology. The Council is planning a membership drive and Paul has suggested that Commissions on Disability should be involved with helping to increase MassMatch Council's membership. Paul will present additional info. at the Commission's June meeting.

#### **11. Inviting Select Board Members to Commission Meeting**

Commission members agreed that Commission Chair, Paul Remy, invite the Chair of the Sharon Select Board to a future Commission meeting.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Commission on Disabilities is scheduled for June 22 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held in person at the Council on Aging.

**Adjournment:** Ruth Beckerman-Rodau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.