

Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
July 18, 2023

Meeting Minutes

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The regular meeting of the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities of Tuesday, July 18, 2023, was held in City Hall, Room 201, Westfield, MA. Norm Smith III, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Commission Members in Attendance: J.Gosselin, N.Smith III, T.Johnson, A.Larkham

Public Participation: None

Motion made by Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair to Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of June 20, 2023, seconded by Commissioner T.Johnson; all in favor; 4/0; Motion passes.

Fine & Forfeits Update:

The update was submitted by Kim Kolek, Asst.Auditor by email on July 14, 2023. Commissioner J.Gosselin, Secretary read the update: Our balance is at 39,560. Playground All/Access Cross St. is at 59,000(project completed). The Transition Plan Resolution is at 20,000. Traffic Crosswalk signal is at 2,500. Our balance would be at 17,060.

Old Business:

Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair, shared that he will check with the Off-Street Parking Commission and the Auditor's Office to obtain data on new fines that would change the Fine&Forfeits balance for the month.

Commissioner A.Larkham presented a Final draft with corrections for the new Informational Brochure. The commission members in attendance reviewed the Final draft, with some additional corrections on meeting times, and member contact information. Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair made a motion to vote and approve the Final Draft with corrections, seconded by Commissioner J.Gosselin. A General Discussion and all in agreement as to the format, layout, and content. Commissioner J.Gosselin, Secretary, read by Roll Call: N.Smith III-YES, J.Gosselin-YES, T.Johnson-YES, A.Larkham-YES; 4/0; Motion passes.

New Business:

Commissioner J.Gosselin shared that he will contact Ann Benoit, Program Director at Kamp for Kids to get some information about the Penny Carnival and the Kamp for Kids closing ceremony this summer. Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair, shared good news that the Special Olympics -Westfield recently won First Place-Gold Medals for Powerlifting and Track & Field events.

Next meeting planned will be August 15, 2023. *Always check the city website and calendar in case of changes.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner A.Larkham; all in favor. Commissioner N.Smith III, Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeffrey Gosselin, Secretary