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Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities (CCPD)

Minutes for Thursday, January 12, 2017

51 Inman Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Cambridge, MA 02139

1. Introductions
 - If needed, alternates named
2. Approval of December 8th Minutes
 - Minutes approved
4. Chair's Report
 - Thanked Michael
 - Postponing new member orientation
 - Post-election letter sent to Ellen Semonoff – was there anyone else that we thought we would want to send it to?
 - media
 - AccessLetter
 - Facebook
 - Annual budget entry for 2016 in budget book
 - Are there suggestions for possible email lists for people to be a part of:
 - Boston Center for independent Living
 - Disability Law center
 - Mayors Commission
 - Mass COD
 - Mass match
 - New England ADA
 - Metrowest Ctr for independent living
 - Institute for Community Inclusion
 - Mathematica
 - Facebook groups from Julie
 - Next Door
5. Committee Reports
 - Access Cambridge –
 - Reviewing accessible pedestrian signal (APS) standards
 - Setting a date to go through the document
 - One concern is that it is very dense
 - Try to make it more accessible
 - Looking at two variances:
 - 50 JFK street, old Berk's store, doing \$400,000 renovations and they are applying for a variance regarding the inaccessible entrance. Working with Larry from inspectional services.
State law mandates that an accessible entrance needs to be made
 - 907 Main Street, Toscanini's, redoing the building into a hotel and they are adding a patio and requesting to make the back entrance the accessible entrance and not redo

the front entrance where you currently have to step up. Same building also contains Cinderellas who had some requests for variances in but at this point Cinderellas is leaving and vacating, under an agreement with the building owner.

Advocacy –

- Going to meet Jan. 24 via Skype. Lay out agenda. AAB standards are stalled on the hill at the moment and looking to talk with the group about this

Community Outreach –

- Statement of purpose
- Calendar of Events
- Spaulding
- Institute for Human Center Design

Disability Reframed Film Series –

- Getting group going
- Show Bottom Dollar
- Joint relationship with Boston, movie in April
- Create a calendar

Media & Technology –

- Creating goals/questions
- Who is our intended audience
- What media and technology involves
- These are some ideas generated by the group at their meeting prior to the Commission meeting.
- What living with a disability in Cambridge is like
- Facebook refresh
- Uber – send an email to get some info re: accessible
- Create a video about experience of uber from start to finish
- NuVu studios – student intern, resource page, create
- Partnering with the community
- Identifying projects that our members are interested in
- Expand technology to adaptive technology

6. Executive Director's Report

- Orientation manual – update
- Mass COD – google group
- Mass Alliance of Commissions on Disability – 10 cities, conference call, anyone can participate and can let Michael know and can add your number??? Check this with Michael???
- Bottom Dollar – can not obtain a DVD but can set up a screening, rooted in rights documentary
- Access Letter – looking for articles and content
- Participatory Budgeting – why is the universal playground not part of the DPW budget, we always make sure that the playground meets guidelines
- Any ideas that you have, one-time capitol items, please let us know as it relates to the Commission

7. DPW – Jim Wilcox

Upcoming construction projects -

- Utility work – end of march beginning of April will pick back up
- Huron Ave. between Concord and Fresh Pond – will start as soon as it can until the end of the year and then it will be completed
- Pearl Street – utility work, reconstructing road way and sidewalks entire length
- Mass ave between Linnaean and Upland, drainage now and then sidewalks and paving
- Water main reconstruction – water main work
- Sewer work on Rosalind and then Newport road then roadway construction
- Design work – Willard street
- Belmont street – small project partnered with Watertown to do the whole road
- Design process for Inman Square – expect to start this year
- Updated on 5 month plan for sidewalks and street
- Bicycle box and bike path painted green, cannot come to complete stop on these areas - All related to vision zero

Respectfully submitted, Nicole Horton-Stimpson