



Commission on Disabilities

AGENDA

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

10:00 am

* VIRTUAL MEETING *

Note: The Town of Acton in response to the COVID-19 pandemic is currently following the guidance from the Acton Board of Health, Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding the virus and steps communities can take to prevent the spread. The Town Hall is closed to the public.

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1) Regular Business

- a) Public Concerns
- b) Updates/Announcements from Chair
- c) Board of Selectmen Update
- d) Liaison Updates (COA, TAC, CODA, Acton Bicycle Coalition, High School Volunteers)
- e) Review of Minutes – February, Special March, April
- f) Accessibility Issues from Building Inspector (if applicable)

2) New Business

- a) Any new COVID/vaccination info and building openings
- b) Visit by Acton Police Detective Michael Eracleo and department clinician Mackenzie Dezieck who runs the Jail Diversion Program at Eliot Mental Health Center—Social Service followup and training by Police Department
- c) Review Town Meeting warrant articles and consider if any warrant COD support.
- d) July ADA celebration preparations
- e) Announce upcoming Volunteer Appreciation award event (honoring our own Nancy Corcoran!)
- f) Consider participation in purchase of shade trees at Jones Field
- g) Puppets- Joan Burrows
- h) Continuing conversation re: Assisting residents with making their houses wheelchair accessible (Look at South Middlesex Opportunity Council, Inc. (SMOC) which administers the Home Modification Loan Program for Mass. Rehabilitation Commission (mass.gov/mrc). See: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/about-the-hmlp> .)
- i) Any updates on Gardner Field playground, Jones Field, Miracle Field and bathrooms
- j) Any updates on construction, including 348-364 Main St., 67 Powdermill Rd., 19-21 Maple St., Powdermill Corridor (230 units)
- k) Reminder of Monthly social visit, virtual for now, 12 noon on June 1, and noon on future first Tuesdays. Similar to Brunch Bunch from pre-pandemic. Contact cod@actonma.gov for the zoom link.
- l) Arboretum planters status and thank you
- m) Reasonable accommodations for people on Boards and Committees- start discussion based on state group discussion Ms. Franklin attended. Invite VCC if we are having this. May be postponed to future meeting.
- n) Special election June 29- any ADA issues outstanding from last election?

Acronyms:

CODA Commission on Disabilities Association (Mass.)

COA Acton Council on Aging

TAC Acton Transportation Advisory Committee

SMOC Southern Middlesex Opportunity Council, Inc.

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