

Winthrop Commission on Disability

Meeting Date: Date 12/6/23

Commission Members In Attendance:

Andrew Carr x Kathleen Kane	x
Hannah Belcher, Town Council Liaison x John Morgan x Denise Quist x	x
Jon Rodis <i>on zoom</i>	x
Karla Murphy x	

Winthrop Commission on Disabilities Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2023

Meeting Summary

- Roll call
- October minutes approved
- Meeting started by Commission Director Karla Murphy
 - Discussed Grant Application and process for Library accessibility funding
 - Town Manger Grant approval for application
 - Features and specification of the grant application discussed
 - Partner with Council on Aging and share resources
 - Town Website accessibility improvement
 - Connect with resources and materials and presentations to the town council meetings.
 - Chapter 24 funds ask about using resources. Report on using funds? (Need greater clarity on this)
 - February Presentation at the Winthrop Senior center/meeting with

- council on aging on cross accessibility and program funding?
- Addressing ADU needs and did you know ADU units are allowed in Winthrop. Develop a listening session and a informational sheet on ADU in Winthrop with funding and financing opportunities.
 - Save the harbor save the bay meeting,invite and grants.
 - February 16 attend town council meeting.
 - American legion Accessibility funding
 - Resource and Booklet Guide Updated
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- Where copies will be distributed: Town Library, Senior center,Town hall,Schools resources, Available for Public school teachers and school libraries,
 - Need to get the library board on board and agree to accept the grant
 - Graduate research studies also presented work on library accessibility grant improvement done by UMass student and was shared with members through discussion
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- Dates and Upcoming items:
 - Wed., Jan 17, 2024: Our WCOD monthly meeting
 - Thurs., Feb. 15 @ 6 p.m. at WCAT : Commission members meet with Judie VanKooiman for interview to be aired on WCAT
 - Wed., Feb. 28 @ 1 p.m. @ Senior Center: Presentation on Soc Security with Jon & Kathleen (1 hour)
- Agenda Item: Review the Chapter 22 money every six months.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Carr