

**CITY OF BARRE**  
**ADA Committee**  
**MINUTES**  
**May 20, 2021**

**Meeting via Zoom**

PRESENT: Ericka Reil, Dena Estivil, Marichel Vaught, Jeff Bergeron (left 10:30)  
Dena (left 10:35) , Bernadette Rose

ABSENT: Hillary Cole, Janell Perry

1. Call to Order: 10:04
2. Adjustments to the Agenda:
  1. Ericka Mask mandate update – See below
  2. New appointments for the committee - Marichel suggest we warn for change of officers at June meeting, and form working groups in between meetings to address our priorities.
3. Approval of last meeting minutes: Motion to approve: Dena, Second: Ericka
4. Old Business:

A. Grievances: Report from Dena. Bill Ahearn responded to her queries. New sidewalk overlays have been installed on Beckley, sidewalk painting is moving along, Ped. crossing flasher sign going in at Tilden on S. Main (test site) The City is working with GMP to add two overhead street lamps between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets where the spacing is greater than all other N Nain St lights. The lighting analysis was completed in late February by Eli Morgan the City's new engineering technician . Lighting should go up anytime now.

B. Jeff Reported new/renewed/repairs sidewalks on Beckley, Perry St, & small section on Maple Ave.

5. New Business:

A: Jeff will talk with Janet regard permitting for banners etc.

B: ADA Priorities for FY20-21.

Priority #1. Ericka spoke to working with GMT to improve accessibility and safety of bus stops. Bill Ahearn is talking with GMT and says changes won't happen before Aug. at earliest.

Priority #2. a. Marichel continues to work on City Website for Diversity and Equity committee and ADA committee. Letter to the mayor requesting funding for this. Bern and Marichel will work on that.

Priority #2. b. & c. Bern reported VT Alert responded to last water main break and she reports to "Citizen Feedback" and encourages the positive communication with city services.

Priority #4. Dena has been invited to join TAC by the mayor.

Priority #5. Marichel and Ericka will work together on community education piece about ADA in conjunction with E & D committee.

C. Mask Mandates – ADA & EEOC are going along with CDC unless disability accommodation prevents use of masks or vaccination. Seems that folks need to continue to be personally cautious.

D. Membership: Ericka – asking if ADA members want to continue. She will contact non-present members. Ericka & Dena want to be recruitment working-group.

E. Marichel spoke to having our regular monthly meeting and supporting that with smaller working groups. Moving in that direction.

6. Next Steps: Warning for election of officers, ongoing priorities as addressed above.

7. Next Meeting Date: June 17 @ 10:00a.m.

8. Adjourn: 10:54a.m

Respectfully Submitted:

Bern Rose  
Sec. for ADA Committee