

MINUTES ADA Committee

9/26/22

Meeting was hybrid. The Meeting was recorded.

Present in City Council Chambers: Dena Estivill, Hillary Cole, Keri Walker Dunster, Bern Rose

ZOOM: Marichel Vaught (left before meeting ended), Ericka Reil,

Absent: Jeff Bergeron

Meeting was called to order at 3:10pm after city staff got the ZOOM system working.

Introductions. Keri Walker Dunster is sitting in to see if she might be interested in becoming a member of our committee.

Adjustments to the agenda? None

Review minutes from last month. Dena made a motion to accept. Hillary seconded it.

Jeff has not attended several meetings. Members were curious if he will be attending in the future, and await response to email query. It was recognized that staff are busy but ADA com has questions.

Grievances- What do we do with the grievances? We used to give them to Jeff at the meetings and he would work on fixing the problem and report back to us.

Every town has an ADA Coordinator and a grievance process. In the past grievances went to Jeff.

Bern wondered if a grievance should be made about the difficulty with conducting this meeting (i.e. technical difficulties upon starting meetings)

North Barre Manor bus stop- the new bus stop and road work is scheduled to be done by the end of this fall. They will be removing the median on north main street where you turn left to go to RK Miles. The bus stop will be erected in the construction and widening of the road on the corner.

Bern proposed the City of Barre website be more accessible and use ARPA funds to make the change. Ericka suggested going as a group to the City Council and sharing that we have made this. Bern said the City Manager took note of website issues in an email.

NEW BUSINESS

Information was sent out on a \$4000 grant. Bern suggested signage for people with different disabilities at City Hall.

Hillary and Keri suggested making the gazebo in the park handicapped accessible.

Hillary and Keri agreed to review the park on their way home.

GMTA is initiating a new program that has been running in Montpelier for the past year looking at a hybrid app/ calling ahead and scheduling a ride on their smartphone. Ericka observed several difficulties she sees on the Montpelier end.

Ericka made a motion to conclude our meeting and Dena seconded it. 4:06pm

NEXT MEETING: October 24, 2022 at 3 pm

Respectfully submitted: Hillary Cole, vice-chair