



TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

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MEETING AGENDA

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY WILL BE HOLDING
A PUBLIC MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.
ACCESS IS VIRTUAL; SEE OPTIONS BELOW

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is an opportunity for members of the public to express their opinions on items both on and not on the official agenda. Public comment is not intended to be a discussion, debate, or dialogue between or among the Commission on Disability and residents. Below are some additional guidelines for Public Comment:

- *Before sharing their substantive comments, residents should state their names, addresses, and if known, voting precinct.*
- *Each speaker will be limited to speaking once for a maximum of three (3) minutes.*
- *Residents may raise new issues, identify community problems, and comment on past, present, or future board agendas.*
- *The Board may not respond or react to the issues raised, and they may not be discussed or debated at that time.*
- *We request residents speak respectfully and refrain from criticizing or disparaging individual committee members, Town staff, or other resident group(s) or individual(s).*
- *We request residents refrain from making comments that contain political statements or include commentary, criticisms, or other statements about any Town staff.*
- *Individuals may speak only at the discretion of the Chair.*

B. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION (POSSIBLE ACTION/VOTES OF THE COMMISSION)

1. Approve minutes of last meeting;
2. ADA Coordinator for town: *update from Deb*;
3. "Did You Know?": Topics, Placement Sites, etc.;
4. Facebook Page: Has everyone had a look: *Changes warranted? Management?*
5. Discuss Swampscott's communications accessibility of websites for town/departments/boards/committees; *Who will investigate?*
6. Potential Partners/Create Liaisons: CoA (Social Day/Caregiver Respite Program; Memory Kits; Snow Angels; Farmer's Market; Pullover Pal, *update from Deb*); SfAA, Police, Fire, Veterans, OSRC, SWAC;
7. Police awareness Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Autism, other invisible disabilities; *update from Ginger*; discuss Pullover Pal as tool to encompass any disability for traffic stops/emergency assistance and consider fundraiser for it and for first responder uniform patches to raise awareness;
8. Beach Access: *update from Deb*; SMILE, Beach Mats, Boardwalks, etc.; acquiring/housing adult and child beach and typical wheelchairs: *update from Deb*;
9. Sidewalk Repair: *update from Deb*;
10. Review local and state potential/current waivers, exemptions; Tax Workoff, Trash Waivers, etc.; *Deb update re tax workoff and trash waivers*;
11. Other outreach/education: webinars re trusts issues, SSDI vs SSI, etc.; *info/update from Cindy*;
12. Resource Links: Placement Sites, etc.; *Deb has extensive list, placed on FB and town website*;

C. COMMISSION TIME

ONLINE:

- Go to <http://bit.ly/3YN5Nup>
- **NOTE:** You may need to download Teams software and use computer speakers