



TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 14, 2022 6:00 P.M.

ELIHU THOMAS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

22 MONUMENT AVENUE, SWAMPSCOTT, MA 01907

1ST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT: JEFFREY S. BLONDER, JEFFRY BRAND, DEBORA NEWMAN, JILL SUSARREY, VIRGINIA R. ZELLER

MEMBERS ABSENT: CYNTHIA J. CAVALLARO, CAROLINA VELASQUEZ

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: MARY ELLEN FLETCHER, SELECT BOARD LIAISON

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

B. NEW AND OLD BUSINESS (POSSIBLE ACTION/VOTES OF THE COMMISSION)

a. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

Members briefly introduced themselves

b. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, AND SECRETARY

Votes were taken and the below officers were elected unanimously:

Debora Newman, Chair

Jeffry Brand, Vice-Chair

Jill Susarrey, Secretary

c. DISCUSSION OF GOALS

- General operations of the commission and Open Meeting Law guidelines were outlined; Ms. Newman will email members more information regarding Open Meeting Law for their review.
- Ms. Zeller showed the commission the "Pullover Pal" communication aid for hearing impaired drivers.
- Members discussed reviving the "Did you know?" campaign started by previous commissions. Ms. Susarrey will reach out to Town staff to secure a regular spot in the monthly newsletter. For the commission's next meeting, Ms. Newman will draft the first "Did you know?" to raise awareness of resources for hearing impaired drivers brought to the attention of the commission by Ms. Zeller, including the "Pullover Pal."

d. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The Commission set a standing meeting date of the second Monday of every month at 6:00PM.

The Commission will meet virtually at least through the winter months.

Upon motion, duly made by Mr. Blonder, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at approximately 6:55 P.M.

TRUE ATTEST,

Jill Susarrey, Secretary, Commission on Disability

APPROVED BY THE SWAMPSCOTT COMMISSION ON DISABILITY DECEMBER 12, 2022