

Brattleboro ADA Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes January 13, 2012

Present: Whitney Nichols, Rick Ethier, Candace Stoumen, Gary Snyder, Elizabeth Snyder and Steve Steidle.

Other Present: Mary Habig.

Absent: Jeani Tamerattie, Barbara Sondag, Leah Stuart, Bob Sisler and Missy Bothroyd.

Minutes from the December 9, 2011 meeting were approved with the following corrections:

1. Mary Habig should not be marked as Absent, as she is not on the committee;
2. Barbara Sondag's email address is: bsondag@brattleboro.org

Old Business:

Winter Accessorily and Maintenance of Streets and Sidewalks:

Rick stated the town has people who have volunteered to help shovel the sidewalks after snow storms. Elizabeth stated there was a sidewalk missed south of the Transportation Center.

Rick made note.

Progress on Town ADA Transition Plan:

There was nothing to report on the Town ADA Transition Plan. This is tabled until Barb can attend the meeting to give an update.

Transportation Panel Discussion, League of Women Voters 12/15:

Nothing to Report.

VTRANS Public Hearing on Putney Road Project Update:

Nothing to Report.

House Transportation Bill:

Nothing to Report.

New Business:

ADA Committee Goals:

The committee reviewed 2011's Goals. They decided the following to be 2012's Goals:

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2012 Legislative Agenda:

Nothing to Report.

Transportation Coordination Resources Developed by the United We Ride Initiative:

Whitney provided copies of a couple new informative transportation programs.

Disability Preparedness following a Disaster:

Mary commended the Town of Brattleboro for being Pro-active when it comes to preparations of a disaster. She reported that CRT has assisted in three evacuations in Brattleboro this year. She stated the Town Manager has been awesome when it comes to emergencies.

Additional Time for Monthly Meetings:

The committee decided an hour isn't always enough time to discuss all agenda items. It was decided that if more time is needed, they would extend the meeting an extra 30 minutes.

Community Meeting, 1/30/12 with Elected State Officials:

Senator Jeannette White and State Representative Mollie Burke will be at the Elliott Building for a Community Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Other Business:

- The committee discussed and decided at this time they do not wish to invite the press, Cable TV to the meetings. They would like to make sure they are more organized.
- It was suggested each ADA Meeting begin with everyone reciting the Mission Statement. Candace will provided everyone with a copy.

Next meeting will be Friday, February 10, 2012. This meeting will be 90 minutes.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am with a motion made by Gary and 2nd by Steve.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Mary E. Habig