

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR

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February 6, 2020

South Windsor Town Hall – Madden Room

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor Paterna
Janice Favreau
Joan Paterna

Members Absent: Phyllis Liebman
Michael Maniscalco, Town Manager

Others Present: Clay Major, Facilities Manager

3. Approval of Minutes

None

4. Old Business

None

5. New Business

a. Report by Clay Major Regarding Evaluation of Existing Town Facilities

Mr. Major informed the Committee that the Town would work with a consultant who will do an evaluation regarding ADA Compliance for all existing Town facilities. At that point, the Town will know what should be done and will do work in phases. A bid will go out for some of the work, and some of the work will be done in-house to save money.

Mrs. Favreau stated that at times the fixes are not that expensive it is just kind of reworking what you already have in place and making it more workable. The cost for another panel and to change the door was under \$1,000, and that took a bathroom that was not accessible and made it a bathroom that you could use a wheelchair in and have privacy.

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5. a. (Continued)

Answering questions from the Committee, Mr. Major explained that after the evaluation is complete, and based on the budget that is approved, the best plan of action would be to do the projects that are easier first and work your way to the larger more difficult projects. At this time, an estimated time to begin the ADA compliant projects cannot be established because there is not even a budget approved.

Mr. Major then explained to the Committee that the public schools would not be included in the evaluation, but there have been some projects completed by the schools. Committee members discussed sending a letter to the Facilities Manager of the public schools to request an update of items that need to be worked on for ADA Compliance and state that this Committee would be willing to give input if needed.

b. Discussion of Goals of this Committee

Mr. Major informed the Committee that there is an ADA Checklist which can be downloaded from the website. Mr. Major suggested that the Committee review the list and inform him of any items that could be done in-house. At some point, the consultant will inform him of what can be done with the \$50,000.

Mrs. Favreau stated that someone in a wheelchair could not use the trails at Nevers Road Park. There are all-terrain wheelchairs that are available for this use, and it that could be housed at the Police Department. Mrs. Favreau stated that if this suggestion is looked at the all-terrain chairs that are made out of aluminum.

Mayor Paterna stated that the park areas would be something that could be reviewed by this Committee.

Committee members reviewed the steps they would be taking:

- Get the ADA Checklist from the website to review if in-house projects could be done.
- Contact Facilities Manager in the public school system. for an update of items that need to be worked on for ADA Compliance and state that this Committee would be willing to give input if needed.
- Look at outbuildings and facilities.

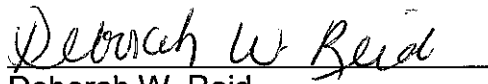
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6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Deborah W. Reid", is written over a horizontal line.

Deborah W. Reid
Council Clerk