

**Franklin Commission on Persons with Disabilities
1000 Central Park Terrace
Franklin, MA 02038**

**Regular Meeting of the Board
May 1, 2019 - 7:00 pm**

MINUTES

Meeting Began: 7:00 PM

Present: Mike Furillo, Randy Jay, Martha Murray, Debbie Bean, Mary O'Neill

Absent: Karen Gordon, Gus Brown, Lorraine McLaughlin

Past Minutes: A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes of the 04/04/2019 meeting.

Old Business:

- 1.) Accessibility renovations at St. Mary's Parish – Completed.
- 2.) Dedication plaque for wheelchair accessible swing – Gus Brown will be contacting the DPW for assistance.

New Business:

- 1.) Social events and gatherings for Franklin area residents with disabilities – Randy Jay will speak to town attorney for guidance on committee involvement limitations. Martha Murray will speak to Big Brother/Big Sister and Debbie Bean will speak with HMEA on possible teaming/partnering on events.
- 2.) Handicap parking violations – Discussion on train depot violations of handicap parking spots when cars are waiting for trains to arrive and drop off passengers. Members were reminded to look out for violators and contact authorities if observed.
- 3.) Accessible directories – Discussion on updating the Restaurant Guide and possible development of an accessible directory for other locations like town offices, houses of worship and businesses.

Correspondence:

- 1.) Jeff Nutting Retirement – Mary O'Neill will send a best wishes card on behalf of the commission.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:55 PM – **Next Meeting:** June 6, 2019

Respectfully Submitted by Rand Jay, Clerk