



## **Handicapped and Disabled Citizens Commission**

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### Meeting Minutes from the September 18, 2014 Meeting

Commissioners in Attendance: Veronica Andrews, Johanna Hill, Pat Rossetti, and Tim Donovan  
Guest(s): none

Meeting began at 6:45 PM

The commission was invited to move our meetings upstairs in city hall. After thoughtful consideration, it was unanimously voted to stay where we are and continue to meet at 6:30.

The commission was informed of the many and varied phone calls the Handicapped and Disabled Citizens Commission phone line receives. Some callers are so stressed that they don't leave a return number. Advised as many as possibly could and referred as many as resources were available.

We discussed agenda items to be addressed at future meetings...

- Snow Removal: specifically at businesses along the public way
- Handicap Parking Tickets

We applauded the Woburn Police Dept. and the Woburn Fire Dept. for the sensitivity seminars that they have been attending to learn about dealing with community members with autism.

We are very encouraged to see the ARC of Berkshire Country is adapting the new Universal Handicap Symbol!

We reviewed paper work from the Mass Office on Disability - who have issued information to every community in the state regarding license renewal for liquor served in their establishments. The guidelines and the acceptable picture ID issued by Massachusetts for handicapped and disabled individuals. Our License Commission assures us that it will go out with each license approved, renewed or newly issued and review this with the establishment.

Finally, a letter will go out to the Mass Office on Disability regarding a conundrum that we find ourselves in when discussing accessibility at the service clubs in our area.

Next Meeting: Thursday October 16, 2014 at 6:30 PM in the Engineer's Conference Room (accessible entry)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Veronica Andrews, Chairperson