

**TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD**  
**MINUTES**  
**Advisory Commission for Persons with Disabilities**  
**November 9, 2020**  
**5:00PM Virtual Meeting Via WebX**

- Call meeting to order
  - Meeting commenced at 5:00 PM
  - Members present: Joe Kolczynski, Mary Silverberg, Rebeca Hajosy, Erin Conneely, Andrew Kellogg, Suzanne Oslander (Town ADA Coordinator – Department of Social Services)
  - Members Absent: Ann Mione, Nicholas Delaney, Edward Shaham
  - Guests: Kate Farrar (Connecticut State Representative Elect – 20<sup>th</sup> district), Maren Paslick
- Minutes from September 14, 2020 meeting were approved.
- Staff Report (Suzanne Oslander – Town ADA Coordinator, Department of Social Services)
  - Hunter House two ADA compliant unisex restrooms and ramps are planned, Engineering & Design firm has been contracted.
  - Eisenhower Park; Restroom renovations in progress.
- Old Business
  - Accessible absentee ballot: Mary Silverberg reported that with the efforts of many individuals and The National Federation of The Blind along with The Connecticut Attorney General, an absentee ballot accessible to people with print disabilities has been made available. Although, some fine tuning remains.
  - Voting: August 11, 2020 Primary Election: Formal complaint filed with the Office of the Secretary of the State by M. Silverberg regarding equipment and procedures with IVS system. The physical arrangement was inaccessible by wheelchair and staff was not adequately prepared.
  - WHPD training module for Deaf/Hearing Impaired: Andrew Kellogg to contact Lt. Roucheleau to explore possible update.

- New Business
  - Dates for 2021 Meetings: January 11, March 8, May 10, June 28, September 13, November 8.
  - Guest Speaker: Representative Kate Farrar addressed her past experience and future issues with legislation effecting Inclusiveness and Equability.
- Adjournment 6:00 PM - next meeting date: January 11, 2021 Virtual- WebX at 7:00 PM