

**Commission on Disabilities (CoD) Meeting  
Tuesday, June 8, 2021  
Via Zoom**

**In attendance:**

Diane DeNapoli, chair  
Stephanie Gertz, vice-chair  
Megan Baker, secretary  
SCPO Keith Jermyn  
Maria OLaughlin  
Glenn Mangurian, Member of the public

**Meeting called to order at 7:08pm.**

**Public Comments**

Diane DeNapoli introduced Glenn Mangurian, who will be one of the panelists on the Hingham Unity Council Disability Panel discussion. Glenn had a spinal cord injury 20 years ago and uses a wheelchair. He has lived in Hingham for 35 years and is an active member of the community.

**Minutes**

Diane will do minutes from 4.6.21.

**Town Meeting Wrap Up**

- 506 residents attended.
- No large print booklets were requested.
- 3 listening devices went missing.
- Not many in ADA seating.
- Next year TM could be inside and should not be in the back.
- ADA section placed too far away from speakers.
- Handicap parking filled up quickly.
- We need to monitor HP parking (were the spots filled legally?)

**Survey Feedback To Date**

- Sidewalks need improving.
- More accessible bathrooms.
- Seating at parade, tents etc.

**Looking ahead**

- CoD will reach out to July 4th Committee to discuss possible ADA section next year. The Commission discussed ways the parade could be more accessible. This year, several members of the committee will be walking the route as part of outreach. Diane will register CoD and will get a banner.

- Beach access for 2022 - Maria has been looking into getting us a beach wheelchair and accessible mat.
- In-person meetings to begin 6/15 (since our meeting the Governor has signed the bill allowing remote meetings until April 1, 2022). Keith indicated that the CoD may be allowed to be remote past that date, Diane is following up.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.**

**Stephanie Gertz  
Co-Chair**