

ADA Meeting

Thursday January 22, 2015

10:00

1. Report from the ADA workshop, Town of Waterford & ADA State Conference. *Valerie Goncalves reported that she attended both the workshop and the conference, reviewed the obligations on Title II and the ADA Coordinator. Responsibilities include; conducting a self-evaluation, developing a transition plan, monitoring the implementation, handling requests for accessible programs and services, serving as an ADA resource for the town, and working with official and/or administrators to ensure alterations are accessible.*
2. Where are we now? *Stephanie Lyon gave a brief report about hiring an outside firm to review the Towns buildings and fields. Discussion about where the money will come from and when we can proceed was discussed by with Cathy Frank and First Selectwoman Bonnie Reemsnyder. In the mean time it was also discussed that we will proceed with a staff training regarding ADA sensitivity and requests for accommodations. Valerie Goncalves will follow up to find a trainer and a date in June for Old Lyme staff and Park & Rec staff. Another project we are moving forward with is the purchase of a Handicap accessible beach wheelchair. A piece for the spring edition Old Lyme Events has been submitted for donations to purchase the chair.*
3. ADA checklist *Valerie Goncalves brought a copy of the ADA checklist and suggested that it be given to all departments to begin working on while we develop a plan to fund the outside firms review. It was discussed and decided upon that the list was too extensive to disperse to the various departments.*

Next Meeting was planned for February 19th 2015 at 10am.