**City of Fall River**

#### Massachusetts

**COMMISSION ON DISABILITY**



**Paul e. Coogan**

***Mayor***

 **Dennis Polselli**

Chairman

**Debbie Pacheco**

Vice-Chairwoman

**Minutes of the Fall River Commission on Disability**

**Conference Call Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 11th, 2024**

**3:00 PM**

 **Chairman Dennis Polselli called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M**

1. Chairman Dennis Polselli opened the meeting by reading the Open Meeting Law statement.

Commissioner Dan Robillard asks for a moment of silence in remembrance of all the victims effected in the September 11th, 2001 attack in New York.

1. **Members Present:** Chairman Dennis Polselli; Vice-Chairwoman Debbie Pacheco; Commissioner Dan Robillard; Commissioner Ann O’Neil-Souza & Attorney Gary Howayeck ESQ, ADA Coordinator.

**Others Present:** Sandy Berube Health Department Clerk

**Members Absent:** Commissioner Lisa Silva

1. **Public Input:** No public input.
2. **Approval of the minutes for the meeting of August 14th, 2024**

Motion made by Commissioner Dan Robillard to accept the minutes from the Commission on Disability meeting from Wednesday, August 14th, 2024.

Second: Commissioner Ann O’Neil-Souza

All in favor; none opposed; Abstentions; 0

1. **Election of Officers:**
2. **Chair.**

Motion made by Commissioner Dan Robillard to nominate Chairman Dennis Polselli as the Chairman of the Fall River Commission on Disability.

Second: Commissioner Ann O’Neil-Souza

All in favor; None opposed; Abstentions; 0

1. **Vice-Chair.**

Motion made by Commissioner Dan Robillard to nominate Vice-Chairwoman Debbie Pacheco as the Vice-Chairwomen of the Fall River Commission on Disability.

Second: Commissioner Ann O’Neil-Souza

All in favor; None opposed; Abstentions; 0

1. **Clerk.**

Motion made by Commissioner Dan Robillard to nominate Commissioner Lisa Silva as the Secretary of the Fall River Commission on Disability.

 Second: Commissioner Ann O’Neil-Souza

 All in favor; None opposed; Abstentions; 0

1. **Work Group Updates:**
2. **ADA Updates:**

Chairman Dennis Polselli explains how Mr. Al Oliveria applied for ADA Improvement Grant back in September of 2023 and is going forward with future projects. Mr. Oliveria had reported that under the new ADA Grant he had been approved to get new counters in the government center as well as updates in the Veterans Center as well amongst a few other things. Below is the link to the meeting with the City Council regarding the ADA Improvement Grant.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQgbJKxKvJA&list=PLwZ_O3BlFINWGZ3KUjWPtkcu6j_h6tBHa&index=2>

1. **Policies: Vice-Chairwoman Debbie Pacheco:** No Updates at this time
2. **Finance:** No Updates at this time
3. **Outreach:** No Updates at this time
4. **Old Business:** No updates at this time
5. **New Business:** Next Meeting will be Wednesday, October 9th, 2024, 3:00P.M.
6. **Adjournment at 3:19 P.M**

Motion made by Vice-Chairwoman Debbie Pacheco to adjourn

Second: Commissioner Dan Robillard

All in favor; none opposed; Abstentions; 0

 **Documents Distributed**

 Agenda

 Minutes from the meeting of August 14th, 2024

 Budget Report for August 2024

Americans with Disabilities Act PowerPoint Presentation