



City of Fall River Massachusetts

Fall River Commission on Disability

C. SAMUEL SUTTER
Mayor

DENNIS POLSELLI
Chairman

DEBBIE PACHECO
Vice Chairman

Minutes of the Fall River Commission on Disability
Meeting held November 12, 2015
Government Center
City Council Chamber

- Item 1: Chairman Polselli called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.
A moment of silence to honor all those who have serviced,
past and present. Our colleague Michael Geary
who passed away on May 14, 2015.
Salute to the Flag of the United States of America.
Reading of the Open Meeting Law Recording Advisory by the Chairman
- Item 2: Public Input: None
- Item 3: Members present: Dennis Polselli, Chairman, Debbie Pacheco, Vice
Chairman, Ken Pacheco, Daniel Robillard
- Absent: Lisa Atkinson, Gary P. Howayeck, Esq. ADA Coordinator
- Health Dept. Staff: Claudia Viens
- Item 4: Guest: Erik Rousseau – SRTA
SRTA ID can now be obtained at the SRTA terminals in Fall River and
New Bedford. SRTA's Demand Response Service runs:
Monday – Friday 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday 6:00 a.m. to
6:00 p.m., and Sunday 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Guest: Councilor Ray Mitchell , Ray Hague, Fall River Veterans Agent
Motion to allocate funds not to exceed \$5,000 to the Fall River Veterans
Department to purchase travel scooters for eligible disabled Veterans.
Pending an agreement with the Law Department that states the travel
scooters belong to the City of Fall River. When the Veteran no longer
needs the travel scooter it will be returned to the City of Fall River.

Motion: Daniel Robillard

Second: Ken Pacheco

Discussion: Vice Chair. Debbie Pacheco stated this Commission in 2013
awarded the Veterans Department funds to purchase travel scooters.
She thought the travel scooters were on loan.

Daniel Robillard stated he wants the travel scooters to be out in the field,
So the Veteran can maintain their independence.

Ken Pacheco stated the funding source is for the Veterans out in the field.

Roll Call Vote

Dennis Polselli, Chairman	Yes
Debbie Pacheco, Vice Chair.	No
Ken Pacheco	Yes
Daniel Robillard	Yes
All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0	

Item 5: Acceptance of Minutes: October 8, 2015

Motion to accept: Daniel Robillard

Second: Debbie Pacheco, Vice Chair.

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

Item 6: Work Group Updates:

a.) Motion to spend up to \$1,000 for equipment needed to make the
City Council Chamber Room accessible for the conferencing piece
Of the Open Meeting Law.

Motion: Daniel Robillard

Second: Ken Pacheco

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

b.) Commission Policies: Chairman Polselli asked if the Commission
Policies could have a specific policy in dealing with proposals.

Daniel Robillard will submit a policy to the Vice. Chair Pacheco.

c.) Finance: No updates at this time.

d.) Outreach: ADA Awareness Day went very well in the Fall River
Room and October is a very good month to hold this event.

The Commission would like to thank Mayor C. Samuel Sutter,
FRGTV crew and Phil Sabatino.

Item 7: Old Business: None at this time.

Item 8: New Business: Motion for the Fall River Commission on Disability to receive a quarterly financial statement from the disability account. Concerning the Handicap Enforcement Program Fund#4084.
Motion: Daniel Robillard
Second: Ken Pacheco
All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

Agenda for December 10, 2015
a.) Work Group Updates

Item 9: Adjourn: 3:30 p.m.
Motion: Debbie Pacheco, Vice Chair.
Second: Daniel Pacheco
All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0