



# City of Fall River Massachusetts

## Fall River Commission on Disability

**JASIEL F. CORREIA II**  
*Mayor*

**DENNIS POLSELLI**  
Chairman

**DEBBIE PACHECO**  
Vice Chairman

Minutes of the Fall River Commission on Disability  
Meeting held June 20, 2016  
Government Center  
City Council Chamber

Item 1: Dan Robillard called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.  
Reading of the Open Meeting Law Recording Advisory by Dan Robillard.

Item 2: Public Input: None

Item 3: Members present: Dennis Polselli, Chairman, Debbie Pacheco, Vice  
Chairman, Dan Robillard, Lisa Atkinson, Ken Pacheco  
Gary P. Howayeck, Esq. ADA Coordinator

Staff: Claudia Viens, HHS

Item 4: Guest Presenter: Dawn Lewis, IT Director City of Fall River  
will be rescheduled to the fall.

Update on the Regional Disability Commission meeting from June 15  
Fall River had the highest revenue in Handicap Parking Enforcement  
Program.

SCIL would like the Commission to cosponsor a training on Emergency  
Management involving people with disabilities.

Atty. Howayeck stated he does receive in the Law Dept. notices from  
the general public for someone who is living in a certain residence with  
a disability. They want the City to know in an event of an emergency.  
Atty. Howayeck forwards the information to the Fall River Police Dept.

MOD 2016 Disability Summit, September 16, 2016 8:30 AM  
Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, 415 Summer St, Boston, MA

Item 5: Acceptance of Minutes: May 26, 2016

Motion to accept: Dan Robillard

Second: Debbie Pacheco, Vice Chair.

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

Item 6: Work Group Updates:

a.) ADA: No updates at this time.

b.) Policies: No updates at this time.

c.) Finance Committee: No updates at this time.

d.) Outreach: ADA Awareness Day, Thursday, October 27, 2016

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fall River Commission on Disability

Ideas will be discussed at the August meeting.

Item 7: Old Business. There will be a telephone conference call with

Mr. Pacheco, Mr. Gupta and Jeff Dougan (MOD) regarding the

\$500 misuse placard.

Item 8: New Business:

A.) Letter to the Mayor on involvement of Commission on Planning Committees:

Motion to authorize Chair. Polselli to write a letter to the Mayor's Office requesting the Disability Commission and a member of such be placed on any event planning committee for any event relating to the City of Fall River.

Motion: Dan Robillard

Second: Lisa Atkinson

Discussion: Ken Pacheco agreed it would be a great idea.

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

B.) AAB Letter signing on for DPC:

Motion to accept a letter sent to Massachusetts Legislature regarding S1323 involving The Architectural Access Board guidelines accessible standards. To incorporate the State building codes up to Federal building codes.

Motion: Dan Robillard

Second: Ken Pacheco

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

C.) PCA program regulation changes:

The proposed regulation, due to come into effect September 1<sup>st</sup>, will only allow a Personal Care Assistance (PCA) Program to work a cumulative total of 40/hours per week

Motion to accept this document and place it on file relative to the overtime on PCA program of the State of Mass.

Motion: Dan Robillard

Second: Lisa Atkinson

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0

- D.) Agenda for August, 2016
  - a.) Work Group Updates
  - b.) Jeff Dougan, MOD

Item 9: Adjourn: 2:45 p.m.

Motion: Debbie Pacheco, Vice Chair.

Second: Dan Robillard

All in favor none opposed abstentions: 0