

**C.A.I.R. COMMISSION  
COMMISSION FOR ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT IN RUTLAND**

**Minutes**

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

**Present:**     **Chair:** Robert Barrett  
                  **Alderman:** Gary Donahue  
**Other Attendees:** Jessica Butterfield, Glenn Reed, Tiffany Heath,  
Nate Stansberry,

- Introductions of People in Attendance
  - Meeting was opened at 3:35pm; no introduction as the crowd was all familiar.
  
- Progress on Old Business and Discussions
  - Progress on Accessibility Issues
    - The Clothes Basket on N. Main
      - Still in progress; waiting on warmer weather
    - Bardwell House Timing Issues
      - Bob said the letter had been given to Jeff Wennberg and had been presented to the Traffic Safety Committee
    - Howe Center/VCIL Moving
      - VCIL will be moving to the “old BROC” building on Center and Wales once renovations are complete. No date set.
    - Wales Street at Police Station
      - No update but the situation seems to have improved on its own. Will continue to be monitored.
    - Nichols and West Street
      - Apparent issue brought to the board by Jessica; Nate said DPW would check it out
    - Curb Cut at Pleasant and Washington Streets

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- Nate said he'd try to add it to the DPW list when the work was being done on the sidewalk this summer but it is out of the current scope of the project
- Steep incline at Court & West Street
  - Issue discussed again but apparent natural constraints of the street and topography don't lend itself to an easy solution. DPW will add it to be examined.
- Chamber Parking
  - No update on the Downtown parking proposal.
- New Items to be Discussed
  - Public Works Projects
    - Nate gave update on projects
    - Apparent sinkhole on Forest St to be examined
  - Any other new items (Open floor to suggestions)
    - Issues with handicap bathroom access at Clem's; ask that there be a sign installed
    - Post Office doesn't have automatic doors
- Discussion of 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary CAIR Committee
  - Disability Museum exhibit
    - VCIL Rental set for May 18-May 29th
  - ADA Walk with City officials
    - Preliminary schedule calls for City officials to participate after the BOH meeting on July 22, 2015. Will ask to be on the agenda. Will discuss more details and route at next meeting.
  - Information tables at Asa Bloomer
    - Time set for Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:30am to 2:30pm
  - Other Ideas
    - None discussed.
- Adjourn

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- Meeting was adjourned at 4:15PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nate Stansberry, Associate City Engineer DPW