

**Acton Commission on Disability
Minutes
August 13, 2009**

Members Present: Lisa Franklin, Gordon Lagrow and Brenda Viola.

Meeting was called to order at 7: 15 pm.

June Minutes were reviewed and accepted as written. There was no meeting in July.

OLD BUSINESS

COD Charter: At Town meeting, the Board of Selectman approved that the COD Charter be decreased to 7 members with 3 members as a quorum.

Variance at 436 Great Road: The AAB did not approve the variance of the sauna. The owners failed to prove impracticability. They were denied a hearing.

COD Brochures: Members approved \$100. to purchase paper for reprinting of brochures.

NEW BUSINESS

Acton Day at NARA Park: Sponsored by the Recreation Dept., held on Sat. September 12th. A suggestion was made to have a table to promote awareness and distribute brochures.

Projects Ideas for 2010:

- Transition Information Meeting for 8th graders
- **Newspaper articles*
- Cable television commercial or message board
- **"Transportation Guide" in collaboration with TAC*
- Recreate a Friends of the Commission on Disabilities group
- Updating the Accessible Dining Guide
- **People with Disabilities Survey (census)*
- Attend a meeting of the Middlesex West Chamber of Commerce

**Members approved these projects*

Oktoberfest: Theme this year will be Service Animals

Lisa will call NEADS for volunteer dogs and owners. Gordon will call Especially for Pets for donations. He will see if he can get copies of Service Animal Laws and Rights. Brenda will do a poster.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Viola, Secretary