METUCHEN ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES from January 29, 2020

Borough Council Liaison: Sheri-Rose Rubin

Present:

Members:

Michael Geschlecht, Rena Kallman, Dave Kallman, Wesley Brooks, Audra Sbarra (Co-Chair),

<u>Absent:</u> Robin Brown, Gail Zelley, Krissy Cantin Garside, Pat Kay Jennifer Asprocolas (Committe Chair), Sheri-Rose Rubin Wendy Eaton

Public in attendance: N/A

Old Business:

New Business:

Meeting Dates for 2020

January 29, 2020 February 26th March 25th April 22 May 27 June 24 (No July Meeting) August 26 September 23 October 28 November and December a Wednesday TBA

Business Engagement

- Sheri provided a list of businesses from the Chamber of Commerce to target and how to make them friendlier in accommodating different situations.
- Wes bought up a project the high school (February through April) is putting on to promote disability awareness. Group will reach out to Sheri regarding specifications.
- Committee suggested an idea to create a design for both businesses and the school to promote awareness. An idea would be to have some of the art classes to make designs and then bring businesses in. This will be a goal for this year.

Goals for 2020

- Committee suggested to have a "Why would you call me" at Borough Hall steps in the Spring and to invite local business to participate. Details will be discussed at a later date.
- Committee also suggested to participate at National Night Out in August. at the Metuchen pool. The group would man and give out some snacks and promote the group.
- It was also suggested that the committee establish a permanent address and phone number at Borough Hall. Sheri will check up on this.

Next Meeting is Wednesday, February 26