

# Meeting Minutes - Approved PARKING COUNCIL FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

(Parks conference room) 210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd.	Tuesday, September 20, 2011	5:00 PM	Room 108, City-County Building
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#### Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: 4 -

Gary A. Weber; Joseph P. Kunz; William J. Tangney and Fayth E. Kail

Excused: 1 -

Joanne Wagner

## 1. Approval of Minutes - July 19, 2011

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Kail, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### 2. Public Comment

Pribbenow has been attending State Assembly meetings. AB 81 passed the Assembly and is going to the Senate. AB 81 puts the word "use" back in the statute and takes out the word "knowingly". These changes will help make it easier to enforce violations of Dis/Vet hang tags. Fines have increased to a mandatory fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$500. He has been talking to Senator Hanson and Peggy Crusick to follow the status of the bill.

- 3. Disclosures and Recusals None
- 4. Report by Madison Police Department representative Aileen Seymour regarding the operations of the Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council and the Police Department offering training classes.

The Police Department received one report and issued one citation. Seymour has discussed training classes with Niesen, and Pribbenow has offered to help with the classes. PD will do the training and will likely hold the training in October 2011. Seymour sent letters to fifteen council members and received seven responses from people who want to continue serving on the Council. Two new people have indicated an interest on serving on the Council. Weber said that it is his understanding that city residency is not a requirement to be on the Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council. Seymour stated that she has been instructed that members must be city residents. Seymour will look into whether there is a residency requirement to confirm.

Tangney asked Pribbenow how many citations go to court. Pribbenow stated that many people do not fight the citations because the \$50 citation is then upgraded to a uniform parking citation and the fee increases to \$260 with court

#### costs.

Weber asked why Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council members are no longer provided with cameras. Seymour responded that PD does not have funding to pay for cameras. Tangney noted that cell phones can be used to take photos. Pribbenow said he has discussed this with Niesen, and she told him that the public gets nervous when they see people taking photos of a vehicle and the Police Department wants to avoid the potential for confrontation. Tangney suggested that individuals who want to take their own photos can do so with their own phone or camera. Pribbenow said he might be able to get some cameras to get the program started.

Weber asked how many people are on the Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council. Seymour replied there are currently seventeen people serving and up to thirty can serve. Kail asked if the training will also be a refresher for existing members. Seymour replied that it will also be a refresher for existing members. Tangney asked if the training could be filmed and put on the City's website. Seymour said she will check into this. Tangney said he would like to ask people to volunteer at the next meeting of the Committee for Persons with Disabilities. Seymour stated that anyone can apply to serve on the Council via the City of Madison website. Seymour noted that Jim Smith has taken Merle Olson's position, as PD staffing changes every six months.

5. Discussion with Seymour regarding locations within the city that have problems with signing or parking space layout for persons with disabled hang tags or license plates.

Seymour said complaints regarding disabled parking should go to Building Inspection. Tangney stated that Hy-Vee is an example where there were problems that were addressed by Building Inspection, however, it appears that a substantial portion of the disabled stalls have been removed and there are now only three signs at Hy-Vee. Kunz replied that there is a disabled stall located at every entrance. Tangney suggests that Building Inspection be alerted that Hy-Vee has changed their signing and ask them to review Hy-Vee's existing design.

6. Wagner to report on status of new Federal Guidelines for parking for persons with disabilities.

Wagner was not present to report.

7. Putnam to report on contact with potential PCFPWD member per Kail's request.

Putnam has not sent out information, but will do this prior to the next PCFPWD meeting.

8. <u>20218</u> Distribution list for Parking for Persons with Disabilities brochure

There are no new organizations to add. Weber noted that he has received positive feedback from people downloading the brochure from the City's website, but some people inadvertently pull up the state brochure rather than the city brochure. Tangney will include the web address for the CPD meeting.

9. Other business for referral

Putnam will look into any feedback recieved on alternate disabled parking for major events, such as disabled parking at Brayton Lot for the art fair and will provide an update at next meeting.

#### 10. Assignments

Putnam will check the City website for alternative locations for disabled parking during events.

#### Adjournment

A motion was made by Kail, seconded by Weber, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.