

**Town of Greenwich**  
**First Selectman's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 6, 2023**  
**9:15 AM**  
**via ZOOM**

**Present:** Alan Gunzburg, Steph Cowie, Lise Jameson, James Michel, Gaby Rattner, Jacalyn Pruitt, Stephen Meskers, Demetria Nelson, Amy Montimuro, Donna Spellman, Joseph Laucella, Marissa Antonaccio, Tyler Fairbairn, Stephanie Paulmeno, Veronica Chiavaroli, Donna Schenarts

**Guests:** Joseph Laucella, Emergency Manager Town of Greenwich

**Meeting called to order-9:15 am**

1. Welcome and Roll Call - Alan Gunzburg

2. Presentation: "Emergency Register Update" - Joseph Laucella, Emergency Manager Town of Greenwich

- Update provided by Joe Laucella; in final stages with the site and working through the language with Legal
- Showed what the site looks like and how it can be used by our town
- CT Alerts and this will be called Greenwich Alerts- will advertise this page for anyone to provide their information and what the program is, and how it works
  - Create an account; the user can manage their profile, update and make all changes to their credentials - Everbridge is the app
  - Name address and email address and select questions
- Questions about how to best roll this out to inform people and how we can assist those that may have difficulty using the site and creating an account
  - Concern about those that need it and the technology gap
- The committee is excited about this Emergency Register update to help those that may need assistance in evacuation or emergency
- Timing for the system launch within the next 30 days- still pieces to come together but confident it will
  - If live before our April meeting message will be sent from FSAC4PWD about the new platform, newspapers, social media launch, stock cards with QR codes
  - May have the ability to batch-load people who are unable to do the setup themselves; a big concern is a privacy; registering is something they want to do

3. Old Business

- a. ADA Tree Policy - no formal policy has been completed at this time
- b. Parks and Recreation Department ADA Study - need to make our beaches, parks, ferry, and schools

- P&R working on their study
  - BOE is looking to do a similar study, along with a transition plan.
  - DPW plan 50 years for completion of their ADA study
  - Need to update these things need to do this to mitigate risk
- c. Central Middle School/JCS/OGS Building Committee -
- Updates provided by Steph Cowie, Veronica Chiavaroli, and Alan Gunzburg

#### 4. New Business

##### a. Town-wide ADA needs

- Updates on fonts, removal of Times New Roman, and move to Calibri- font size and type of size as well as colors of prints and backgrounds
  - The federal government is working towards this standard
  - The TOG should have a standard
- Transportation group- thoughts and ideas for the bill to Representative Rachel Khanna send thoughts to Demetria Nelson bill being run by Lucy Dobin
- Demetria introduced Donna and her situation and heard about others' situations.
  - Donna is here because of the accessible parking spaces.
  - Little to no enforcement of accessible parking, where people park in the lines.
  - Lack of enforcement and knowledge of what can be done and what should be done when someone parks illegally.
  - TOG and Police should enforce - as they are able to ticket but cannot tow
  - How do we get the word out in the community, what can we do as a committee to advocate and create awareness? The idea to create a campaign.
  - Set up a meeting with Chief Marino, Renee Wallace& Jenny Larkin

##### b. GPS budget includes ADA study

##### c. ADA-compliant Arch & Grigg Streets

#### 5. Set the Date of the Next Meeting April 3, 2023 at 9:15 am

Adjourn- 10:13 am