

# COMMISSION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MEETING

Location: City Hall Annex, Conference Room C  
999 Broad Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

July & August 2019: Recess  
September - December 2019: Meetings Cancelled or No Quorum  
January 9, 2020: No Quorum

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Elliott Calderon (Chairperson), Donald Donaldson (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairperson), Larry Robinson & Brenda Dye (Secretary)

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Jerome Roberts (1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairperson), Pearl Brooks & Nettie Jenkins

**LIAISON TO THE COMMISSION:** Loretta Williams (Not Present)

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:** Angel DePara (not present)

**Guests:** John Esteves, Disability Resource Network, 340 Capitol Avenue, Bridgeport (203) 906-7299 & Maria H. Pereira, Bridgeport City Council Member (203) 540-9668

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**Elliott Calderon, Chairperson:** Welcome & Bring meeting to order.

## **20-0213-01: MINUTES**

Vote to approve Minutes dated February 13, 2020. **UNANIMOUS**

## **20-0213-02: COMMISSION OFFICERS**

Vote to approve Present Commission Officers to remain in Present Positions until the end of the year 2021 or until someone decides to step down (Elliott Calderon – Chairperson, Jerome Roberts – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairperson, Donald Donaldson – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairperson & Brenda Dye – Secretary). **UNANIMOUS**

## **DISCUSSION:**

1. Elliott agreed to contact Nettie Jenkins & discuss attendance policy. She attended only two meetings in 2019. If she does not attend the next meeting, then her name will be removed as member of the Commission for People with Disabilities.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & DISCUSSION:** John Esteves & Maria Pereira asked many questions about the Commission. They expressed serious interest in working with the Commission and agreed will make effort to attend our March meeting.

**20-0213-03:** Vote to adjourn at 7:25. **UNANIMOUS**

**Next Meeting Scheduled: March 12, 2020**

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**Brenda Dye, Secretary**

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**Elliott Calderon, Chairperson**

## **Commission for People with Disabilities – February 13, 2020**

### **Follow-up Items**

1. Identification Badges for all Bridgeport Commissions expected by end of year 2018
2. Larry Robinson to share information at next meeting with the Commission that might be helpful as guide to use when introducing ourselves as Commissioners to the community
3. Handicap Rest Rooms and Handicap Parking - Lack of Handicap Rest Rooms and Handicap Parking at Beardsley Park – Angel DePara and Chairperson, Elliott
4. Develop plans to participate in HEALTH FAIR
5. Pledge of Allegiance at beginning of meeting
6. Follow-up response to Letter to Mayor see notes June Minutes item 19-0613-03
7. Event for Special Needs Community - Lorretta suggested fund raising & solicit corporate location & corporate support & to research security for McLevy Park.