Minutes Commission for the Disabled Monday, Oct. 23, 5:00 pm, Large Conference Room

Present: D. Ciota, T.Phillips, S. Signorelli, C. Calabro, C. Santori, E. Pearson, W. Kenyon. Convene: 5:10

1. The minutes of the Sept. 18 meeting were accepted as read.

2. The RFQ for an assessment of Ridgefield's needs in moving towards compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (and specifying a transition plan) was issued on September 27, and closes October 27, 4 days from today. A pre-bid conference was held, with one potential bidder. No bids have been received yet.

The decision as to who (if any) is awarded the contract is shared among the town purchasing agent, town engineer, and First Selectman Rudy Marconi.

There was discussion about how this Commission should interact with the Board of Finance after the transition plan is developed (e.g. on selecting first items to budget). The First Selectman should be consulted as to how to proceed.

There was also discussion of involving a reporter from the Ridgefield Press.

It was stressed that if a transition plan does not exist, or little progress is made, Ridgefield is potentially exposed to possible legal action by the Department of Justice.

Adjourn: Moved by E. Pearson, carried unanimously — 5:57 pm

Next scheduled meeting: Monday, Nov. 20.