



City of Danbury Commission for Persons with disAbilities  
155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**September 12, 2023 - 6:30pm**  
**Meeting remotely due to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

**Attendance:** John Gentile (Chairman), Rose Marie Bouclier, John Neumuller, Fran Ryan

**Excused:** Frank Reed, Jeff Doyle, Quentin Hughes

**Guests:** Isabel Domber

- John Gentile: Welcome & Introduction: 6:35PM, 09/12/23
- Review and Acceptance: Motion to Accept Minutes 06/13/23, John N., Motion, Fran R. 2<sup>nd</sup>, All Yes
- Phone Log: No New Messages. Aug. Call about a problem with Shoprite having product Identification too low and unable to be read by People with disAbility. He wouldn't accept a call from my cell then I called from home phone and he didn't answer. Waited for him to call back but he didn't???
- Old Business, Announcements, Updates:
  - 1) Commissioners Updates – How are we getting back to In-Person meetings? Need to speak with IT on how to set-up the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor conference room with a Camera and Screen. John N with reach out to IT and find out how to go about it.
  - 2) Update on COVID restrictions – At this time we will continue to hold Zoom meetings.
- Seeking One Regular & Three alternates: No interest to date of meeting
- Social media report: **Jeff Doyle to Report –Facebook** Facebook.com/DanburyC4PWD Follows: 825 (as of 3/14/2023) **Twitter** Twitter.com/DanburyC4PWD 353 followers (as of 6/9/2020) No new update as Jeff D not in attendance
- Handicap Parking Update – John N, Discussion on that we have made some progress but after meeting with the Deputy Chief Sturdivant on the issue there is a concern for safety and privacy. Also, a discussion on Parking in general and the fact that there is no enforcement of City or State Ordinance???. Discussion on Availability of Sweet HART service.
- On Demand Transportation: Not discussed at this meeting
  - o Kept as an open item
- New Business: Fran R- Who is our contact at the mayor's office John N. stated Jonathan Barney. Fran R. wanted to have the Danbury Hospital Hospitality Goldstone Caregiver Center link added to our website. Society of certified advisors, do hybrid meeting focused on Seniors and People with disAbilities. They work with a Place for Mom can shotgun services for Seniors and People with disAbilities. Fran R. did speak with the Choices program for assistance.
- Open Discussion: Isabel D. - Qualifying for Medicaid, most people don't qualify? The State Assembly and Senate are looking to change the law to raise the bar. What the law entails I am not sure yet, but there should be a change.
- Next Meeting: Oct 10, 2023  
Entertain a motion to Adjourn, John N., Motion, Fra R, 2<sup>nd</sup>, All Yes. Adjourn 7:26 PM, September 12, 2023