ATTENDANCE: Maura Mazzocca, Co-Chairman; Alfredo Arno; Tom Carlson; Bunny Ferguson

NOT PRESENT: Kenny Tigges, Co-Chairman; Joe Stordy; Bob Hogan, Selectman

ALSO PRESENT: Christopher Hanafin, Coordinator; Jennifer Goldsmith, Recorder; Citizen Valerie Weldon, Citizen Nellie Nash; Peter Cappola-Burlington Historical Commission Member.

REMOTE ACCESS: N/A

Meeting called to order at 09:35 A.M.

Minutes: October 2018 Minutes

October minutes are up for approval.

Motion: Mr. Carlson moved to approve the October 2018 minutes as is. Mr. Alfredo Obtained, not present at that meeting. Seconded by Ms. Mazzocca and commission then approves unanimously.

Open Space assessment presentation:

Mr. Peter Cappola from the Historical Commission came to the Disability Access meeting to request assistance in making the Burlington Museum handicap accessible with a new ramp and landing in the front of the museum. This will allow the towns schools to continue to have their annual field trip to the museum and at the same time allow for all citizens with disabilities the opportunity to view the museum. Mr. Cappola said the work could be done by himself and other volunteers. He presented the commission with a few ideas and estimated costs of materials work could start as early as the spring. Commission unanimously agreed that this was something they would like to help make possible. Ms. Mazzocca motioned to set aside $5,000.00 to go towards building a ramp and new landing at the museum. Ms. Ferguson seconds and commission unanimously approves. Mr. Cappola will come back to the commission when this project is approved and set to move forward in order to get finally approval for use of funds.

Mr. Cappola left @ 9:53 am

Human Resources Accessibility Complaints:

Ms. Nash & Ms. Weldon came before the commission to discuss accessibility issues within the human services building located at 61 Center Street. They have gone before the Selectmen and others in town along with collecting signatures of from their peers that were also affected by this closure. They have brought their concerns to those in charge and have been brushed aside. Select doors within the human services building have been locked and handicap parking spots closest to one of the entrances removed to put in a staff entrance and staff parking. This has put a burden
on those that have been trying to access the building. They have asked that the spots be placed back and the doors (COA side of the building and the front two doors) opened and for entrance. The Commission listened to the concerns of the citizens and will support their efforts in ensuring that this accessibility issue is addressed and the voices of the citizens are heard.

**Operation Access 2018:**

Operation Access 2018 has started a few weeks back. Further updates will be provided to the commission as the operation continues.

**ADJOURN MEETING:**

Ms. Mazzocca motioned to adjourn at 11:34 am. Mr. Carlson Seconded and All are in favor.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:34 AM.**

Submitted by,

Jennifer Goldsmith
Recording Clerk