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Merrimac Commission on Disability Meeting Minutes
TOWN OF MERRIMAC

Meeting Date: June 3, 2026 Time: 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Location: Hybrid: Merrimac Police Station Meeting Room, 2 Jana Way, Merrimac, MA and Zoom

Members Present:

Christopher Gaudet, Chairman
Kathleen Sullivan, Secretary
Robert Hart, Vice Chairman
Bridget Batcheller, Member (Remote)
Courtney L'Abbe, Member

Absent:

Robert Sinibaldi, Member/ADA Compliance Officer
Brienne Walsh, Member

Also Present:

Wayne Adams, Select Board Member
Carol Traynor, Merrimac Parks and Recreation Member
Rob Gustison, Select Board Member
Jeremiah Murphy (Remote), Veterans' Services

Agenda Item No: I
Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Item No: II
Approve Agenda
Robert Hart made a motion to accept the agenda for the June 3, 2026 meeting. Kathleen Sullivan seconded the motion. Members unanimously accepted the motion. The agenda was accepted.

Agenda Item No: III

Approve Minutes from May 2026 Meetings

Robert Hart made a motion to accept the May 2026 minutes. Bridget Batcheller seconded the motion. Members unanimously accepted the motion. The minutes were accepted.

Agenda Item No: IV

Old Business

1. Institute for Human Design ADA website review

The Institute for Human Design is reviewing the Town of Merrimac website now and will submit an updated report soon.

2. $50,000.00 earmark request to refinish the basketball court surface and create accessible access points at the Donaghue School

No update.

3. East Main Street Sidewalks

No update.

4. $30,000 MOD Grant for Curb Cuts

These will be completed by the end of June.

5. Playground Grant

A grant was submitted on Monday to the MOD requesting $178,049.00 for a new playground for the Sweetsir School. Additional donation requests from local businesses have also been sent. The COD will work with the Merrimac Schools to ask town members to vote for the project with the upcoming Merrimac Light Department Electrify Merrimac program. Members of the COD will host a table at Merrimac's Olde Home Days to solicit support for the playground and raise awareness regarding COD.

Agenda Item No: V

Agenda Items

1. Parks and Recreation Committee

The Parks and Recreation Committee will hold a meeting toward the end of the month. The MOD will keep in contact with the Parks and Recreation Committee regarding the Sweetsir Playground.

2. $1,000 Ripple Fiber donation for playground
Robert Hart made a motion to accept the $1000 donation for the Sweetsir Playground from Ripple Fiber. Courney L'Abbe seconded the motion. Members unanimously accepted the motion and the donation was accepted.

3. Signatory Paperwork
Christopher Gaudet made a motion that Christopher Gaudet (First Signature) and Robert Hart (Second Signature) continue to sign warrants for COD business. Kathleen Sullivan seconded the motion. Members unanimously accepted the motion.

4. MOD Training Certificate
Christopher Gaudet has been attending training sessions with the MOD and shared information with members if anyone else wants to attend.

Agenda Item No: VII

Adjourn

Next Meeting: August 5, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. Hybrid: Merrimac Police Station Meeting Room, 2 Jana Way, Merrimac, MA and Zoom

Robert Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Christopher Gaudet seconded the motion. Members unanimously accepted the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used at Meeting:

COD May 2026 Meeting Minutes
COD meeting agenda June 2026
Merrimac Approval of Bills and Payrolls Signature Form
Advanced Community Access Monitor Certificate awarded to Chritopher Gaudet on May 7, 2026 from the Massachusetts Office on Disability

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kathleen Sullivan, Secretary

Minutes Approved by Committee on:
Chairman Signature:

Vice Chairman Signature:

Secretary Signature: