POLLING PLACE AND REGISTRATION SITE ACCESS

LOCATION: Rowe Fire Station - 4 Sidley Rd. **DATE:** 8/3/2020

WARD: Ø **PRECINCT:** 1

SURVEYOR: Paul McLatchy III **SURVEYOR:** Janice Boudreau + Jeanne Semanik

TITLE: Town Clerk **TITLE:** Executive Secretary Board of Selectmen

This checklist is based on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's regulations for polling place accessibility 950 CMR 51:00. To complete this survey, you will need a level and a tape measure. Please specify in the "Comments" section, below, any issues that need further clarification.

1. Site access (Path of Travel):

✓ (a) The paths of travel to the polling place from the parking lot and from the street are clear, reasonably lit, and unobstructed.

✓ (b) The paths have continuous common surfaces, not interrupted by steps or abrupt changes in level greater than 1/2 inch.

✓ (c) The path of travel is the same or a substantially similar distance for all persons entering the polling place.

Comments (City/Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
Flat, paved area.	

2. Parking:

N/A (a) The required number of handicapped parking spaces is provided as follows:

total no. of parking spaces	no. of handicapped spaces required
1 - 25	1
26 - 50	2
51 - 75	3
76 - 100	4
101 - 150	5
151 - 200	6
201 - 300	7
301 - 400	8
401 - 500	9
501 -1,000	2% of total
1,001 and over	20 plus 1 for each 100 over 1,000

N/A (b) **for parking lots striped prior to 9/1/96:**

____ (1) The handicapped parking spaces are 8 feet wide and have an adjacent 4 foot access aisle which is painted or striped yellow. The parking lot is reasonably lit.

____(2) The handicapped parking spaces are identified by a sign at each space or pair of spaces containing the International Symbol of Accessibility, with the top of the sign between 5 and 8 feet high above the ground.

N/A (c) **for parking lots striped after 9/1/96**:

____ (1) The handicapped parking spaces are 8 feet wide and have an adjacent 5 foot access aisle which is marked by high contrast painted lines or other high contrast delineation. The parking lot is reasonably lit.

____ (2) Is there at least one "van accessible" space. (one in every eight accessible spaces must be van accessible, but no less than one) This space is 8 feet wide and has an adjacent 8-foot wide access aisle which is marked by high contrast painted lines or other high contrast delineation. The parking lot is reasonable lit.

____ (3) Each handicapped parking space is identified by a sign containing the International Symbol of Accessibility, with the top of the sign between 5 and 8 feet high above the ground. Van accessible spaces shall include the words "Van Accessible."

N/A (d) Any sidewalk provided at the handicapped parking spaces has a curb cut (sidewalk ramp), with a slope no greater than 1:12, at each space or pair of spaces.

N/A (e) If no parking lot is available, there is at least one on-street parking space which is at least temporarily designated as a handicapped parking space during the election in front of the polling place.

Comments (City/Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
Parking lot is not striped. Handicapped can park next to entryway. (will restripe)	

3. Entrance

✓ (a) At least one entrance to the building is accessible.

✓ (b) The approach to the accessible entrance is a paved walk or ramp with a non-slip surface uninterrupted by steps or changes in level greater than 1/2 inch. There is a level space 60 inches from the door on both the exterior and interior sides.

N/A (c) Lever handles or other accessible hardware are provided on doors, so that they may be operated with a closed fist.

✓ (d) Doorways are at least 32 inches clear width. Door thresholds are no higher than 1/2 inch above the floor.

✓ (e) If the main entrance is not accessible, signs direct people to the accessible entrance.

✓ (f) If the accessible entrance is not the main entrance, it is unlocked and able to be used without assistance during the same hours as the main entrance.

Comments (City/Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
Fire Station bay door(s) will be opened all day - very wide.	

4. Ramps

N/A (a) If the entrance has stairs, there is either a permanent or portable ramp. If permanent, the ramp has a slope no steeper than 1:12.

N/A (b) The ramp is at least 48 inches wide.

N/A (c) The ramp has two pairs of handrails along both sides that are round or oval in shape and are set in pairs, one at a height between 34 and 38 inches and a lower one at a height between 18 and 20 inches.

N/A (d) If the ramp is portable, it is a as close to 1:12 as possible, and either handrails or wheel guards at least two inches high on both sides are provided.

(e) Please describe the portable ramp (if applicable):

Comments (City /Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
Bay door entry has no steps. Ramp not needed	

5. Building Interior

✓ (a) All interior doors, approaches, and ramps necessary to obtain access to the polling place comply with 3 and 4 above.

✓ (b) An accessible route which provides a continuous unobstructed path at least 36 inches wide is maintained inside the polling place and shall coincide with the route for the general public.

Comments (City/Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
Plenty of open space once fire trucks removed.	

6. Voting Equipment

✓ (a) All Polls - A sample ballot will be posted on the wall no higher than 48 inches above the floor.

✓ (b) Paper or Datavote ballots - At least one marking shelf (one for each party in a primary for Datavote) provides a clear space under it at least 30 inches wide, at least 27 inches clear to the underside, and no more than 32 inches high to the top. Any Datavote stylus handle is at least 1 ¼ inches thick and at least 3 inches long.

✓ (c) Voting machines - At least one machine has a sample ballot posted inside, not higher than 48 inches.

✓ Voting levers are no higher than 48 inches above the floor, or a "reacher" is available for the upper levels.

Comments (City/Town Representative):	Comments (Monitor):
All handicap-accessible equipment will be used/made available.	

PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED SURVEY TO:

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