Vice Chairman Fleischer called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM at the Groton Commons Community Room, 74 Willowdale Road

Members present: Fleischer, Shack, Sutton, and Taylor
Members absent: Baxendale, Barron, and Vega
Also present: ADA Coordinator Michelle Collette, Jim Lyons and Grant Murphy of the Northeast Independent Living Program (NILP), and residents Judy Anderson, Jane Fry and Shirley Man

UPDATE ON THE ADA SELF EVALUATION-TRANSITION PLAN FOR TOWN BUILDINGS
The Commission on Accessibility discussed the implementation of the ADA Transition Plan for Town-owned buildings. The cost estimate to address immediate issues is approximately $60,000. The upgrades for the Prescott School, currently leased to the Friends of Prescott for use as a community center, are not included. The plan estimates the cost for Prescott School at $166,000 which may be low because it includes the cost of installing an elevator for the three-story building. The Commission will work with the Friends of Prescott to apply for a grant from the Massachusetts Commission on Disabilities in the fall.

The motion was made by Shack, seconded by Taylor, to submit an article for the Spring Town Meeting warrant requesting $60,000 for implementation of the transition plan for Town-owned buildings. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES
The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 20, 2018; October 15, 2018; and December 10, 2018.

NILP UPDATE
Jim Lyons and Grant Murphy updated the Commission on legislation pending at the State House. Commission members would like to attend the NILP Legislative Forum on Friday, March 22, 2019, in Andover. ADA Coordinator Michelle Collette will request that the COA van provide transportation for the event.

NEXT MEETING
The Commission’s next meeting will be held on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 3:00 PM at Groton Commons, 74 Willowdale Road.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Collette
ADA Coordinator