



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION Unapproved Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 13, 2019

PLACE: Ludlow Room

1. Call to Order: Chair Washington called to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call: Present: Washington, Mack, Green, Bobb, Armstrong, Swade, and Murrell
Absent: Kuziak and Primus

Also present: Burke (Liaison)

3. Public Communications: None

4. Approval of Minutes: September 11, 2019 and October 16, 2019

Motion: Swade made a motion to accept the September 11, 2019 and October 16, 2019 minutes. Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion passed – 7-0.

5. Liaison Report: Burke advised that the Town budget process will be starting soon and that the Commission should plan to discuss its budget needs at the December or January meetings. Also, the Commission will be asked to set a schedule for its 2020 regular meetings. He distributed a flyer for a documentary on childhood toxic stress which will be presented at Windsor High School by the Windsor Schools and the Youth Service Bureau on December 3 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

6. New Business:

a. Black History Month 2020 – The Commission discussed and proposed the following schedule of events: Movie Night to be held jointly with churches and/or Art Center on February 13 and Black History Jeopardy on February 21.

Chairman Washington announced that he is planning a tour of the Black History Museum in Washington DC on February 29. He extended invitations to Commission members and will also be inviting First Church and Grace Church. Discounted rooms and museum tickets will be available. Transportation to DC is not included.

b. Town of Windsor Christmas Parade – The Commission briefly discussed and decide to decline participating as a group in the annual parade.

7. Old Business:

a. Discussions on Race-Privilege Walks/Racial Bias and Micro Aggressions-FCW/Grace Church-Commissioner Chair/Washington. Chair Washington said that these programs had gone well and stated that there would be follow up second session on December 8 or 18.

b. Bridge Builder Awards Nominations Update – Burke reported that the Community Development Office received six nominations for five different honorees by the deadline. The nominations were forwarded to the Chair and Vice Chair and Secretary. A number of the Commission members offered that they had additional names to propose. It was decided that a committee would meet on the day of the next Commission meeting to finalize the selections for this year.

c. Names Project-World AIDS day- Chair Washington reported progress on the plan to display a panel of the national AIDS Memorial Quilt in conjunction with First Church. He said that it would be in town from December 1 through December 31. A reception will be planned.

d. Halloween on Broad Street-Recap-Commissioner Primus. It was reported that there was a very large turnout for this event.

e. HRC Scholarship Fundraiser-Recap-Commissioner Armstrong reported that \$362.00 was raised for the scholarship fund during the event at Dom's.

f. One Book One Windsor – After some discussion it was agreed that Vice Chair Mack create a summary of the books that have been proposed so far.

8. Item from Commissioners: Armstrong stated that Town Social Services is collecting socks for distribution to those in need. She offered to pick up any sock contribution that Commission members would like to make.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Submitted by,

James Burke