

**Town of Windsor  
Human Relations Commission  
October 14, 2020  
Zoom Meeting  
6:30 pm  
Unapproved Meeting Minutes**

- Present: Chairperson Honorable Judge Kevin Washington, Assistant Chairperson Patricia Mack Secretary Desiree Primus and Commissioners: Kereme Murelle. Byron Bobb, Joyce Armstrong, Len Swade, Joshua Amaro and Becky Jacobsen and Liaison Jim Burke. Unexcused Absence: Max Kuziack
- The Human Relations Commission welcomed new members Commissioner Becky Jacobsen who shared that joining the commission was a way to participate in town and effect change. that she homeschools five children and desires to be on the Board of Education.
- Joshua Amaro is the other new Commissioner, who was born and raised in Hartford, Windsor Police officer, SRO at WPS.
- Chairperson Washington announced that this was a busy time of year for the Commission and he was looking for recommendations, ideas and concerns from members. Washington understands that people cannot participate in everything, but he requested contributions from all.
- Human Relations Resources will be placed on the town website under “Community.”
- Harford Foundation of Public Foundation Giving has agreed to provide funding for street mural, trying to work through the logistics, guidelines how it can happen, talked with Levey

Kardulis, Organizer at Black Lives Matter Mural in Bushnell/State Capitol and hoping to try to do something on November 4, in front of public building on town green, Criteria is being set, and it would be an area of a lot of pedestrians so as to impede traffic flow.

- The Human Relations Commission budget has been approved for \$3,480.
- \$600 for College scholarship fundraisers, Question on whether the HRC opens it up to Loomis Chafee students. There has not been a lot of scholarship communication from Windsor High School. Windsor also has students who attend Loomis, Medina Academy, and Aerospace CREC school HRC will award a scholarship to any student who attends a Windsor School. Commissioner Mack will contact various schools to find out scholarship deadlines.
- Racial Justice Programming- An excellent presentation Kevin Booker Jr and others will receive \$150.00 each for their two services. Money will be taken from the Community Day event as it is a part of a series.
- Honorarium to be given to videographer Lindsey Thompson and Facilitator Anne Marie McKnight based on a unanimous vote.
- HRC received food donations from “Cans and Hands” Drive hand sanitizers went to Clover Street School Commissioners Primus, Mack and Armstrong stated that the drive was worthwhile and asked if Grace Church and First Church would participate. Next donation drive was scheduled for late March. It was suggested that the Windsor Police Department could possibly be involved. Joshua Amaro stated that he would reach out to the police,

- Federal Washington announced grants for beautification of Wilson to repair medians and planters, etc.
- White Privilege, 2 to 4 Racial Injustice,
- Byron Bobb entered meeting at 7: 40 pm
- It's important for other commissioners to show up for Racial Injustice Services, next one is October 25, 2020, Microaggressions,
- It was suggested that in the month of November a consideration of viewing of the movie *The Hate You Give* on November 15.
- Youth Panel on Racial Injustice, Commissioner Joshua stated he would reach out to teachers at Windsor High School for young people.
- The 25th year of Windsor Bridge Builders moved the ceremony to May, with a rain date, flyers will go out with a new date. Change was necessary due to COVID-19 concerns. Nomination date will be changed.
- Mask Decoration Contest information is pending with other HRCs in South Windsor and West Hartford.
- With 168 towns, 35 towns have poet laureates, The HRC believes that Windsor should have Poet Laureate; resolution motion carried to present to next town council meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.