

**TOWN OF WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
VIRTUAL MEETING
MAY 12, 2021**

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** Chairman Washington called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
2. **Commissioner Roll Call:** Present: Kevin Washington, Joyce Armstrong, Len Swade, Linda Massa, Rebecca Jacobsen, Byron Bobb. Absent: Josh Amaro, Desiree Primus, Kereme Murrell.

Also present: Jim Burke, Staff Liaison.

3. **Public Communications:**

Jay Tulin, Chair of Farmington Human Relations Commission, thanked Chairman Washington for making him aware of Jewish-American Heritage Month. Made Commission aware that week of September 14-17 National Disability Voter Registration Week, and asked if Windsor would be interested in collaborating on an event. Mr. Tulin also reported that Gary Crosson, Windsor resident and Director of Security in CT State Office Building in the Public Works Department, passed away this week.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of April Minutes deferred to next month's meeting due to no one receiving them.

5. **Liaison Report/Treasurer Report:**

Mr. Burke reported that the cost of the Bridge Builder Awards event was \$448. Our new general budget balance is \$1153.

Mr. Burke also reported that some of the Health Department's vaccination promotion funds may be available to the Juneteenth event, if the event could be a place to host a vaccine clinic and/or promotional material. This was approved by the Commission.

Chairman Washington reported that Commissioner Max Kuziak has resigned,. He also brought attention to Commissioner Len Swade's 90th birthday, which will take place on May 29, 2021.

6. **Old Business**

a. Bridge Builder Awards

Chairman Washington reported the event was a success! There was positive feedback, especially regarding the livestream. All eleven honorees were in attendance except one, and the event ran about 75 minutes. Chairman Washington also reported that the event came in under budget.

b. Juneteenth

Chairman Washington reported that the dates will be narrowed from June 18th-21st to the 19th-20th. He asked to have the time 1 p.m.-6 p.m. on the Green for the event on the 19th, which was confirmed by Mr. Burke. The purpose of the time change is to accommodate an event in the morning at the Wilson Branch of the Library. He also reported that the Windsor Library Association, Windsor Public Library, Windsor Historical Society, and representatives from Windsor High School are collaborating on the event. The event is proposed to feature guest speakers, food, a vaccination clinic, booths, and entertainment.

c. Elder Abuse Awareness Month

Chairman Washington reported that the month of June is Elder Abuse Awareness Month, and June 15th is Elder Abuse Awareness Day. He will contact the town to have Enita Jubrey post something on the town website.

7. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Chairman Washington reported that Habitat for Humanity has asked for volunteers for a Habitat Build in the Bloomfield area for June 5.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Burke, Staff Liaison