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741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Community Relations Committee For Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Meeting Minutes

Chairman S. Naomi Rodriguez

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

6:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

WORKING DRAFT

In -Person: Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building

Remote Participation: Information Noted Below:

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- I CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL

Present: April Brunelle

Gary St. Vil

In addition the following were present:

S. Naomi Rodriguez, Chairman

Roxanne Maher, Administrative Assistant

- III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS
- IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Community Relations Committee for DEI Regular Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Continued discussion and possible action to identify various town venues to host "Informal Conversations in the Park" to engage residents in discussions regarding their concerns and their ideas for potential solutions
 - · Long Pond on Lantern Hill Road (Showcase the Lantern Hill Waterfront Park, (2) Provide some history regarding Long Pond; (3) Provide information regarding the importance of preventing invasive plants from being transferred from different bodies of water, and (3) Engage residents)
 - Visit Parks in town.

RESULT: CONTINUE

2. Review status of Department Heads Government Training Presentations.

RESULT: CONTINUE

3. Discuss starting a relationship with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council to help foster communication and mutual points of interest.

RESULT: CONTINUE

4. Research Community Organizations that provide Opioid and Substance Abuse Disorder, Recovery, and Prevention Programs relative to the use of the Opioid Settlement Funding.

RESULT: CONTINUE

5. Discussion and possible action to begin preparations for the 2025 Black History Month Program.

RESULT: CONTINUE

6. Any other Old Business proper to come before the Committee None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action to set a 2025 Schedule for Informal Conversation Forums and Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Initiatives.

RESULT: CONTINUE

2. Any other New Business proper to come before the Committee.

None.

IV ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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