

Leesburg Diversity Commission Regular Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February 2, 2021 • 7:00 p.m. Lower Level Conference Room 1 Leesburg Town Hall • 25 West Market Street

Meeting Agenda

- Call to Order
- Approval of Remote Participation (if needed)
- Approval of Agenda
- Introductions
- Election of Officers for 2021
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - Minutes of December 1, 2020, Regular Meeting
- Petitioners
- New Business
 - Demographic Update and Review of Past Activities
 - Discussion of Future Activities
- Staff Liaison Report
- Council Member Comments
- Commissioner Comments
- Chairman's Comments
- Adjournment

Leesburg Diversity Commission December 1, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Location: Leesburg Town Hall, Lower Level Conference Room 1

Commissioners Present: Pamela Butler, Enrique Gonzalez, Linda McCray, Oliver Peters,

Jean-Joseph Poisson, Mary Randolph

Commissioners Absent: Jasmin Martinez-Harris

Others Present: Vice Mayor Fernando "Marty" Martinez (via Webex)

Betsy Arnett, Public Information Officer

Officer Michael Drogin, Leesburg Police (via Webex)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes

• The minutes of the November 10, 2020, meeting were unanimously approved as presented.

Petitioners

None

New Business

- **Draft Annual Report to Council:** Chair Butler presented the draft annual report to Council. She will edit based on comments and send a revised version via email.
- John Lewis: Good Trouble Movie Discussion After Action Report: The event went well, but participation was low. A total of nine people attended. Ms. Arnett reported that Tanja Thompson thinks selecting movies that have a rental fee may draw a smaller group.
- January Movie Discussion: After some discussion, the commission selected Under the Same Moon as the movie for January. The event will be on Tuesday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. This time, the event will be advertised as only an hour and a half long.

 January Proclamation: The commission decided to put forward a proclamation for Mentoring Month in January, and recognize the Mason Enterprise Center. Ms. Arnett will draft and proclamation and send for review.

Old Business

We Are Leesburg Video: Ms. Arnett reported that four videos were submitted, plus the
videos that the Police Department did. She will provide copies to Commissioner McCray
on a flashdrive.

Council Member Comments

 Vice Mayor Martinez reminded commissioners of the swearing in ceremony for the newly elected council members on Thursday, December 10 at noon. Also, he advised that the council will be holding a retreat in January and one of the topics will be direction for the commissions.

Commissioner Comments

- **Commissioner Poisson** hopes 2021 will be a transformational year and that the commission will have the opportunity to work toward social justice.
- Commissioner McCray said that she spoke to Supervisor Umstattd about the proposed renovations of the Douglass High School and she (Supervisor Umstattd) will give Commissioner Randolph a call.
- Commissioner Peters wished everyone good luck, as this was his last meeting on the commission.

Chair Comments

• **Chair Butler** presented Commissioner Peters with a commemorative photo, signed by the other commissioners and thanked him for his service to the commission.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 2, 2020 at 7 p.m.