

Warrensburg Diversity and Inclusion Commission
5/1/2023, Minutes of the meeting
Meeting was held at Warrensburg Community Center

Invitees in attendance:

- Voting members: Noe Villarreal, chair; Barbara Mayfield, vice-chair; Suzy Latore, Atsuki Mori, Dorothy Arvizu, Doug Christie,
- City Council liaison: Eddie Osborne

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Noe Villarreal at 7:10 pm with a quorum in attendance. Dorothy moved to accept the agenda, Barbara seconded; the motion carried.

2. Community Events and Outreach:

a. City commissioner Eddie Osborne announced that the Juneteenth celebration will be held at the Old Courthouse on June 17. It will include a concert and a play on Blind Boone.

b. The drag show for Pride Week is open for the community to attend at their own choice.

c. Noe is working with Jody at the city office on creating a DIC Facebook page and a manner in which to request comments from the public.

d. The council discussed procedures for guests to interact with the council:

--Guests will state their names and address, verifying they are Warrensburg residents.

--Each will have three minutes to speak.

e. City Proclamations:

--Asia/Pacific Islanders Heritage Month: Atsuki expressed concern about this combination. Asian countries and populations are significantly larger than Pacific Islanders, diminishing the importance of the latter. Dorothy moved and Atsuki seconded that the city designate May 22 as Asian/Pacific Island recognition. The motion carried unanimously.

--Dorothy moved and Suzy seconded that the 2019 LGBT proclamation be used and read aloud by the council.

f. Suzy announced that Amy Keiger at UCM is working on a Community Connection Fair for Sept. 30, 2023, from 10:00 to 1:00pm, at Sterling School Stadium. The theme may be "United, Explore, Laugh." DIC may want to consider participating.

g. Suzy explained the city ordinances posted to the public on the city's website are not current and need to be replaced by current information. Updated material could be submitted to the Human Rights Commission.

h. Eddie Osborn had a box of information of city proclamations and similar matters. Noe offered to take it with him.

i. UCM Get the Red Out will be Sept. 9 if DIC wants to have a booth as it usually does.

j. Since having a number of new members to DIC the group will explore ordering new shirts. The next meeting could include discussion of color, design, etc.

Suzy moved to adjourn the meeting, Dorothy seconded, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.