

Town of East Windsor Diversity Council

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES November 22, 2021

1) TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

Monday, November 22, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
East Windsor Town Hall
11 Rye Street Broad Brook, Ct

Or,

Join Zoom Meeting; <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7148971799>
Meeting ID: 714 897 1799

Meeting was recorded for future viewing by Diversity Council members

2) CALL TO ORDER

3) UNABLE TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

Attendance: Rick Leboriorous
Ana Rivera
Gabrielo Resto
Natasha Holmes
Liaisons: Alan Baker
Selectman: Marie DeSousa
Presenter: Dennis Culliton

4) APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Unable to vote on minutes approval

5) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Dennis Culliton

6) COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence

7) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A) **No discussion:** Update: Farm Worker Housing
- B) Update: Witness Stone Project

At tonight's meeting we received an in-depth presentation by Mr. Culliton regarding the Witness Stone Project. This project was created in order to bring awareness to slave life in Connecticut. This project is geared towards students in 8th grade

and above in addition to Social Studies curriculum. Currently there are 13 towns in CT participating or have participated in this project. The purpose is to identify slaves and place a memorial stone where they lived, worked or worship. It will be a challenge to research records as there was a fire at town hall in the 1960's that destroyed many records. The presenter stated that other records such as church records, land deed records and wills are sources of good information. This is a 4 week project and the cost is \$6,000.00. Mr Culliton explained that there are state funds that we can apply for in order to offset the costs. End of presentation. As a council we support and will continue to discuss the feasibility of the project looping in the board of education.

C) **No discussion:** Update: Plantation Road

D) **No discussion:** Update: EW Greater Together Grant

8) NEW BUSINESS

N/A

9) NEXT MEETING DATE

Special Meeting December 27, 2021

10) ADJOURNMENT

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