

DUNCANVILLE COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL BRIEFING ROOM, 203 E. WHEATLAND ROAD
MAY 19, 2016

The Duncanville Community Multicultural Commission (DCMC) held a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2016 at 6:33 p.m. with a quorum present, to wit:

Lorraine Hood-Jack, Chair	Linda Lydia (Absent)
Michael Grace	Lia Polk
Mary Fae Kamm (Absent/Excused)	Ray Uehara
Patrick LeBlanc	Janet Watson

Staff: Bart Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation, sat in for Veronica Williams Staff Liaison and Recreation Superintendent, and Commission Secretary Pam Willis were city staff present.

ITEM 1 – Public Discussion Period:

No one was present for public discussion.

ITEM 2 – Discussion and Consider Approval of Minutes:

Chair Hood-Jack asked if everyone had read the minutes from March 16, 2016. A motion was made by Commission member Uehara for approval of the March 16, 2016 minutes as written. A second was made by Commission member LeBlanc. The minutes for March 16, 2016 were approved as written with a vote of 6 in favor; 0 opposed.

ITEM 3 – Discuss Commission Financials & Budget Review:

Mr. Stevenson had everyone look at the attached financials. Chair Hood-Jack asked if there were any questions. None were asked. It was mentioned that it was good to see a copy of the financials in the agenda packet. It was requested that this remain a part of the agenda packet.

ITEM 4 – FY17 Proposed Budget:

Mr. Stevenson explained the FY17 Budget to the Commission. He relayed to them that he had spoken with Jessica James, Director of Economic Development, regarding their budget. Ms. James agreed to fund out of CVB \$10,000 for their Fusion Fest 2017; however, it would need to be a 2-day event to qualify for the funding and this is not in addition to the funding that the Commission currently has for expenditures. Mr. Stevenson suggested partnering with the International Museum of Culture for a possible Friday night event and then having Fusion Fest on Saturday. Chair Hood-Jack commented that she still didn't understand why Council would give the Commission a task and then not fund it. Mr. Stevenson explained that the funding request was a put into the FY16 Budget as a supplemental request and some supplemental requests don't make the cut. Council probably never saw the request because staff made the decision to cut it before getting that far.

ITEM 5 – Boards & Commission Banquet Re-Cap:

Mr. Stevenson asked those who attended the Boards & Commission Banquet how they thought it went. Commission member Uehara noted that the food was okay. Commission member Grace said it needed more flavor. Commission Secretary Willis handed out the mugs and certificates to those who did not attend the banquet and therefore did not receive them.

ITEM 6 – Duncanville 101 Class Proposal:

Mr. Stevenson discussed the Duncanville 101 Class Proposal with the Commission. Commission member Uehara said that this was something one of the first DCMC items that they worked on. Mr. Stevenson

commented that the staff was also working on something very similar for next year in the work plan. He said that he could talk to Mr. Hugman about it.

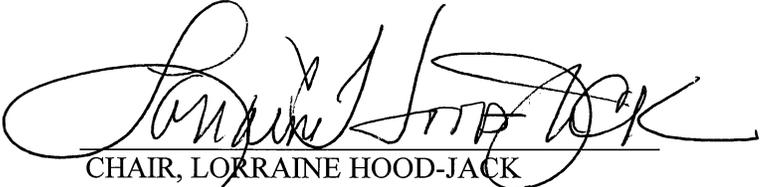
ITEM 7 – Community Engagement:

Mr. Stevenson went over the attached Recreation Calendar in the agenda packet. He pointed out that Juneteenth was in DeSoto this year on June 18th and invited the Commission to come and participate. He announced that Independence Day would have fireworks this year at Armstrong Park. There would be a parade that morning. Chair Hood-Jack asked if any Commission members would like to be on a float in the parade and pass out candy. Commission member LeBlanc, Polk and Watson volunteered to be on the float with Chair Hood-Jack. Mr. Stevenson explained that to gain entrance to the park everyone was required to have a wristband; the park will be chain link fenced off and everyone under 18 had to be accompanied by an adult. The Commission commented that they were looking forward to this event.

ITEM 8 – Adjourn Regular Meeting:

Chair Hood-Jack adjourned the meeting at 7:23 pm.

APPROVED:


CHAIR, LORRAINE HOOD-JACK

ATTEST:


COMMISSION SECRETARY