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CITY OF LEBANON
DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION COMMISSION
June 20, 2023— 6:00pm
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL or
Remote Via Microsoft Teams: [LebanonNH.gov/LIVE](https://lebanonnh.gov/LIVE)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Ford Burley (Secretary); Karen Liot Hill (City Council Representative); Keiselim Montas (Public Representative); Alisha Robinson (Public Representative); Bise Wood Saint Eugene (Vice-Chair); Devin Wilkie (City Council Representative)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Emily Walton (Chair); Simone Whitecloud (Public Representative Alternate); Tia Winter (Public Representative); Karen Zook (City Council Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: Shaun Mulholland (City Manager)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The June 20, 2023, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Commission (DEI) Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Bise Wood Saint Eugene at 6:00pm.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No minutes were approved at this meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss strategy regarding the development of a citywide equity plan

Brainstorming took place on the process for creating a citywide equity plan. The Commission will hold a stakeholder brainstorming meeting on 26 July 2023, 5:30-7:30pm. The Commission will create a list of stakeholders and contacts to reach out to and invite on SharePoint, for all members to add to. The City Manager will send letters to contacts, and will follow up with phone calls. City Councilor Karen Liot Hill will work on planning the meeting agenda and creating a facilitator guide, tasks which City Councilor Devin Wilkie and Commission member Alisha Robinson have offered to assist with if necessary.

B. Review "History of Lebanon" by City Historian Nicole Ford Burley

The Commission has no notes for improvement of the history. The City Historian will direct the City to put the text on the City's website.

C. NEXUS Multicultural Festival planning

The Commission briefly discussed items to bring up at the next NEXUS planning meeting.

D. Juneteenth post-event discussion

Alisha Robinson reported back on the successes and challenges of this year's Juneteenth events. A weather delay of one day caused problems, but not as many problems as the weather would have in the absence of a delay. Co-op has pledged continuing support for City Juneteenth events so long as they take place. The double dutch station was very popular, leading to suggestions for performers at next year's celebration. They may try to have the 2024 June 19th movie night outdoors in Colburn park as it is a Wednesday next year. Ms. Robinson also reports the potential for expanded coordination with Claremont and Queechee at next year's event.

E. Determine budget requests

Item postponed due to time constraints.

5. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No discussion.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. OTHER BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Bise Wood Saint Eugene adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Ford Burley, DEI Commission Secretary