Human Relations Commission Meeting Wednesday, July 25, 2018

A meeting of the Doylestown Borough Human Relations Commission was held on the above date with the following members in attendance: Vice Chairperson, Linda Quinn, Secretary, Doreen Stratton, John Fraser, Nancy Reilly and Maxine Katz. Also in attendance were Mayor Ron Strouse, Councilman Don Berk and Borough Manager John Davis. Absent were Fred Stanczak and Laurie Smith Kaczanowska.

1. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the June 25, 2018 meeting were approved.

2. HRC Table at the Doylestown Farmer's Market

Linda Quinn reported a good turnout for the first market event on Saturday, July 14, 2018. The next event will take place on Saturday, September 22, 2108. At that time we will promote the Monday, September 24 Town Meeting. Linda will draft a promotional announcement to hand out at the market table.

3. Town Hall Meeting Monday, September 24, 2018

In preparation for the Town Hall Meeting, Mayor Srouse suggested we invite other individuals or groups to the Wednesday, August 22 Human Relations Commission meeting to provide their input in preparing the agenda.

Possible contacts for the August 22 meeting are:

Barbara Simmons, Peace Center- Maxine Katz will contact.

Marlene Pray, Rainbow Room- Nancy Reilly will contact.

Rev. Green of Salem Church-Mayor Strouse will contact.

Bucks County Human Relations Commission- to be contacted.

By limiting the Town Meeting to one hour, our goal will be to clarify the Human Relations message, encourage community awareness and offer a platform for speakers.

There was a discussion as to possible individuals, groups, etc. that should be notified of the September 24 Town Meeting. John Davis will provide a list of houses of worship, as well as restaurants located in Doylestown Borough. John will also reach out to the principal of Central Bucks West High School and ask him to contact other educators, guidance counselors, representatives of CB Cares, etc. to attend. A representative from the Central Bucks School Board will also be invited.

4. New Business

Don Berk, Councilman and Chairperson of the Community and Governmental Affairs Committee attended the meeting to suggest the Commission endorse the painting of a rainbow crosswalk. Don provided a photo of a rainbow crosswalk done in California. After discussion, the Commission expressed positive support. A location for the crosswalk is yet to be determined.

5. Adjournment:

The next Human Relations Commission meeting is Wednesday, August, 22, 2018.

Submitted by Doreen Stratton, Secretary