

## **Human Rights Commission Meeting Minutes November 20, 2019**

**Attendance:** Margaret Adams, Chris Kelly, Diane Loud, Joe Borsellino, Margaret Matthews, Officer Michael Buckley, Amy Wax

The meeting was convened at 7:05 PM.

Minutes were approved for the October 2019 meeting.

The "I Am Dedham" show on Dedham TV has four upcoming potential interviews for the next taping on Wednesday, December 4th at 7 PM. The first show is currently airing and the link has been shared on Facebook. Other potential interviews were also discussed. Taping would continue the first Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at Dedham TV.

The Human Rights Commission also reviewed submissions for a logo. Diane Loud will take the final image of the winning entry and attempt to create a digital version. Diane Loud will also contact the winner to discuss alterations of the logo to meet our needs. It would read, "All Have a Voice" and then also identify "Dedham Human Rights Commission."

For the Martin Luther King Jr. event, we will scroll the remaining logo winners as well as the photos taken from last year's event. The MLK program will include the DHS band, chorus, the essay winners, dancers, and a poetry reader. Potential keynote speakers were also discussed. Joe Borsellino will keep the committee updated on the progress towards a keynote speaker. Salem Foods, Cafe Fresh, Blue Ribbon (two pans of sliders) are confirmed. TGI Fridays will confirm tomorrow. Chris Kelly also put in a request for Wegmans. Whole Foods request has also been submitted. Ocean State has a \$200 gift card. Rob Blaney will arrange for water and pizza. Starbucks will donate coffee and asked for a week's reminder. MIT House will provide two of three trays of cookies. Diane Loud will reach out to Panchos and the Greek place in square. Amy Hicks will reach out to Horse Thieves and EL Centro. Michael Buckley will reach out to Legacy Place management. Liveable Dedham will also organize the volunteer fair.

One Book, One Community is well underway in its planning for a start in January. We choose the main title for adults, Reasons to Stay Alive. The next meeting of the planning group is on December 10th at 7 PM at the main library. We will share a press release to announce the project in the Dedham Times. Michael Buckley will reach out to Paul McMurdy to see if it might be possible to show a film at the Dedham Square Theater. In addition, HRC members will reach out to potential members of the local community if they have knowledge about local individuals who have knowledge in mental health to serve on a panel or to help

support a book study. Officer Buckley will reach out to Riverside, and Joe Borsellino will reach out to the “Children’s House.”

Joe Borsellino will reach out again to the Dedham Historical Society in response to a potential exhibit of letters from the Civil War.

The Human Rights Commission adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Margaret Adams, Clerk Human Rights Commission