

**City of Lambertville  
Human Rights Council  
7 PM Monday March 9th, 2019  
CITY HALL  
25 South Union Street, Lambertville, NJ  
AGENDA**

**WELCOME**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**(9) LHRC members:**

Beth Asaro – City Council rep  
Lt. Bob Brown – Police rep  
Emily Carone – Library rep  
Effie Castro - Resident  
David Gardiner - Resident  
Bruce Harris - Resident  
Filomena Hengst – Board of Education rep  
Bambi Kuhl – Public Assistance rep  
Roni Todd-Marino - Resident

**LHRC Friends & Guests**

Zach Berliner  
Mary Jane Legere  
Eric Rounds  
John Woods

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 10, 2020**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **LHRC 2020 Event Calendar**
  - Fri 4/24: South Hunterdon High School, Day of Silence
  - Sat 5/16: Pride Parade
  - Sun 6/7: Great Big Day/Together We Are Lambertville Picnic
- **Logo Sub-Committee – David Gardiner, Roni Todd-Marino, Bruce Harris**
  - Mission: To promote and protect human rights at the local level. Together, city representatives and resident members ensure that Lambertville remains a place of acceptance and love.
  - Tagline: Together We Are Lambertville ~ Juntos Somos Lambertville
  - 2020 Theme: Peace, Love & Lambertville
  - 2021 Theme: If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together
- **LGBTQ+ Focus**
  - South Hunterdon High School Gay Straight Alliance – requested our support on 2 events.

- Day of Silence – Fri 4/24. LHRC members/friends invited to join students at the end of day (2:30) for closing ceremony where silence is broken. Students to speak regarding who they are honoring. Come early (like 2:00) to sign in and get to the Library before school ends.
- Pride Parade – Sat 5/16, help them with cost of registration (investigating \$\$) and cost of SHR GSA t-shirts (which will also be used on Day of Silence) so they can march – approx. \$500.
- PRIDE PARADE – Sat 5/16. Register for parade (investigating \$\$). Banner needs to be ordered.
- Marlene Pray – Doylestown – Rainbow Room is a resource for students
- **Student / Youth Community**
  - Suggestion: Safe/Fun Teen hangout space is needed in the city. Possible upstairs space avail at Lambertville Academy by Fisherman's Mark. Filomena to check in with Marlene Pray to see if she'd be willing to help us set it up – then to check with Jennifer at Fisherman's Mark to talk about space availability.
  - Filomena reported on SHRSB BOE initiative to improve educational equity, diversion & inclusion. New Superintendent recruitment has included a focus on these priorities.
  - Black History Month – Feb 2021 or event not confined to month of February– begin planning. Bruce Harris offered his speaking services. Filomena has worked with a local woman to create events in other school districts.
- **Senior Community**
  - Resident Council update (Hibernia) – Consulting underway with Councilwoman Julia Taylor to see how we can educate Hibernia residents who may want to create a resident's council.
  - Meals-On-Wheels needs a new home. Bruce Harris to explore using community room at South Hunterdon Apts (talk to owner Betsy Palilonis).
- **Mental Health Community**
  - Stigma Free Initiative update. Roni to forward information from the County Mental Health Administrator to the sub-committee members not present.
  - Suicides on the rise in Hunterdon County schools.
- **Great Big Day/Together We Are Lambertville Picnic – Sun 6/7**
  - Volunteers Needed. As in past events, LHRC members will play lead roles over each area.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- REMINDER – MEETINGS START AT 7:30 PM

## **CORRESPONDENCE – None.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**ADJOURNMENT**