

**City of Lambertville
Human Rights Council
7:30 PM Monday September 14, 2020
VIA ZOOM
MINUTES**

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.

WELCOME by Roni Todd-Marino

ROLL CALL

LHRC members:

Roni Todd-Marino - President

Beth Asaro – City Council rep, Secretary LHRC

Lt. Bob Brown – Police Dept rep

Bambi Kuhl – Public Assistance rep

David Gardiner – Resident Member

Bruce Harris – Resident Member

SCOTT ELLIOT – NEW Resident Member (prev. Leslie Darling) – sworn in 9/14/20

~~Filomena Hengst – Board of Education rep~~

OPEN POSITION – Resident Member (previously Effie Castro)

OPEN POSITION – Library Rep – to be provided asap (previously Emily Carone)

NEW MEMBER: Swearing in of Scott Elliot

- “I (state your name) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of NJ; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the Authority of the people; and that I will faithfully, impartially and justly perform all the duties of the office of Lambertville Human Rights Council member, according to the best of my ability (so help me God).”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion by Bambi Kuhl, Motion Second by Beth Asaro, all in favor, Scott Elliot abstained

OLD BUSINESS

- **Committee Leadership Identification and responsibility discussion**
 - LGBTQ+ Focus
 - Student/Youth Focus
 - Immigrant Focus
 - Senior Focus
 - Mental Health Focus
- **Police Dept Human Rights Evaluation & Recommendations**
 - **NEXT STEPS:**
 - Formulate a list of reference material for the council to read offline
 - Invite public participation at Monday October 12th LHRC meeting
 - Advertise/notify on city emails
 - City of Lambertville Facebook
 - Creation of an LHRC Facebook page

- Announce at City Council meetings
- Council members share their 3-10 personal recommendations – by Halloween
- Council reviews edited list at November 9th LHRC meeting
- Council finalizes full list of recommendations to city council – by Thanksgiving
- Bruce Harris request to Lt. Brown: *Details about Lambertville traffic stops*

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

Beth Asaro motion to adjourn, Bambi Kuhl second, all were in favor.