



MINUTES

LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee

May 26, 2022 Meeting

Members in attendance:

- Kara McCartney, Committee Member
- Frankie Quinn, Committee Member
- Corey Dutcher, Committee Member
- Lindsay Avar, Committee Member
- Ashley Pawliw, Committee Member
- Tara Stephens, City Clerk

Members absent:

- Dhruvajyoti Mukherjee (Dhruv), Committee Member

Guests in attendance:

- Alexis Higginbotham, Executive Director, Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area (WDBIA).
- Enzo De Divitiis, Chair, Pride Niagara Board of Directors

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1. Call meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.
 2. Approval of the May 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Corey

THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee approved the May 4, 2022 meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

3. Discussion regarding Pride Month Events:

Alexis and Enzo provided information to the committee members regarding upcoming events that are happening around Welland and the Niagara Region for Pride Month.

Alexis provided information to the committee members regarding the Rainbow Crosswalk that is being installed on the corner of King Street and The Boardwalk. Close to the East Main Bridge.

Additional information and Pride Month events schedule to be provided by Tara to the committee members following the meeting.

The City of Welland's Communications Division will be preparing a media release to advise the community of the rainbow crosswalk and the pride month events.

4. Review of proposed 2022 Meeting Schedule.

Provided to the committee for review and will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting in June.

5. Establishment of meeting schedule and whether meetings will be virtual/in person.

The Committee members discussed their preferences regarding the meeting schedule. It was determined that for the time being the committee would meet on a monthly basis on Thursdays in the afternoon.

The committee is interested in having alternating in-person and virtual meetings.

Further information and meeting schedule to be provided to the committee at further meetings.

6. New Business

- Kara mentioned PFLAG – Niagara - Pride Month Fundraiser. Kara to send information to Tara to share with the committee members.

7. Adjournment at 3:58 p.m.