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**TOWN COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING**

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Paterna called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

3. Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor Andrew Paterna
Deputy Mayor Liz Pendleton
Councilor Audrey Delnicki
Councilor Erica Evans
Councilor Cesar Lopez
Councilor Karen Lydecker
Councilor Lisa Maneeley
Councilor Janice Snyder

Members Absent: Councilor Mary Justine Hockenberry

Others Present: Michael Maniscalco, Town Manager
Vanessa Perry, Asst. Town Manager/Director of H.R.
Scott Roberts, Asst. Town Manager/CIO/Emergency Mgmt.

5. Adoption of Agenda

Councilor Maneeley made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Deputy Mayor Pendleton seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

8. Adoption of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby approves the Minutes of the following Town Council Meetings: Special Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2020; Regular Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2020; and Public Hearing Minutes of September 21, 2020.

Was made by Councilor Delnicki
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Pendleton

Councilor Evans stated that some clarifications should be made on the Special Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2020. Under Item 8. D. it presently says Councilor Snyder has been working with the Library to schedule community events that will be held once or twice per month and there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to request funding in

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8. Adoption of Minutes (Continued)

order to hold programming. It is important to the Sub-Committee that this Sub-Committee continue their work after meeting the obligations of the resolution and it has been discussed to create a Sub-Committee under the Human Relations Commission, which will need guidance from the Town Council. Councilor Evans is proposing this section to read, Councilor Snyder has been working with the Library to schedule community events that will be held once or twice per month. There is a resolution on the agenda tonight to request funding in order to hold programming, facilitation, and training. After the Sub-Committee meets its obligations under the resolution, it is important that the Sub-Committee continues under the Human Relations Commission or as a Commission through the creation of an Ordinance. The establishment of the new Sub-Committee or Commission will need guidance from the Town Council.

Mayor Paterna called for a vote on the Adoption of Minutes with the proposed clarifications to the September 9, 2020 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

11. Consent Agenda

First Reading

Deputy Mayor Pendleton made a motion to approve Agenda Item 11.a.A as a First Reading on the Consent Agenda. Councilor Evans seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

A. Resolution Appointing James MacPherson to the Energy Committee and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints James MacPherson to the Energy Committee and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

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11. Consent Agenda (Continued)

Second Reading

Councilor Lydecker made a motion to approved Agenda Items 11.b.A. through 11.b.D as a Second Reading on the Consent Agenda. Deputy Mayor Pendleton seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

A. Resolution Appointing James Hennessey (D) to the Park & Recreation Commission and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints James Hennessey (D) to the Park & Recreation Commission for a term ending December 31, 2021, to fill the unexpired term of Alan Larson and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

B. Resolution Appointing Linda Jeski (D) to the Human Relations Commission and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints Linda Jeski (D) to the Human Relations Commission for a term ending November 30, 2020, to fill the unexpired term of Lloxcí Lopez and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

C. Resolution Appointing Nick Jones to the South Windsor 175th Anniversary Committee and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints Nick Jones to the South Windsor 175th Anniversary Committee and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting

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11. Consent Agenda (Continued)

- D. Resolution Appointing Marietta St. Onge to the South Windsor 175th Anniversary Committee and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints Marietta St. Onge to the South Windsor 175th Anniversary Committee and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

12. Unfinished Business

- A. Resolution Authorizing Town Manager Michael Maniscalco to Sign and Enter into an Agreement with the City of Quito, Ecuador (Postponed from the September 21, 2020, Town Council Meeting)**

WHEREAS, The Sister Cities Program is dedicated to improving human connections and understanding through cultural, trade, and educational exchange with other communities throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The Sister Cities Partnership/Program between South Windsor, Connecticut, and Quito, Ecuador will foster mutually beneficial relationships and the exchange of ideas between two municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the South Windsor Town Council would like to enter into The Sister Cities Program with the City of Quito, Ecuador

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby authorizes Town Manager Michael Maniscalco to sign and enter into an agreement with the City of Quito, Ecuador.

Councilor Lopez explained that he had a meeting with a representative from Sister City International in Washington, D.C. who is willing to create a template to show the Council what this relationship would look like. This can be shown to the Council when it is complete.

Councilor Snyder made a motion to table this resolution. Councilor Maneeley seconded the motion; and it was approved unanimously.

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13. New Business

B. Resolution Regarding Race Amity Day

WHEREAS, the South Windsor community stands strong against racial injustice wherever and whenever it may occur; and

WHEREAS, Connecticut supports the motto of the United States of America, E Pluribus Unum; and

WHEREAS, the greatest asset of the State of Connecticut is its people; and

WHEREAS, South Windsor is comprised of multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, and multi-racial citizens; and

WHEREAS, there is no room for racism, bigotry, prejudice, or violence in our Town, State, or Nation; and

WHEREAS, friendship, collegiality, civility, respect, and kindness are commonly shared ideals of the collective citizenry of the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, the Towards E Pluribus Unum Initiative has invited communities across the United States of America to join in introspection and reflection on the beauty and richness of the diverse peoples of this great nation while reaching out with a spirit of amity toward one another; and

WHEREAS, we stand for Love and Care for all community members, people of all cultures, and we support the program known as Race Amity Day

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council encourages all residents of South Windsor to stand up against racism, racial inequality, social injustice, and violence, and commit to working together in our community to address any racism in our Town; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council welcomes all residents to come together to create positive changes in South Windsor; and

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13. B. (Continued)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council will designate the 2nd Sunday in June each year to be proclaimed as Connecticut Race Amity Day; support the goals and ideals of Race Amity Day in the State of Connecticut; encourage all citizens of South Windsor to join in activities in support of the goals and ideals of Race Amity Day; and authorize and issue this resolution calling on the people of the Town of South Windsor, in the State of Connecticut, to observe Connecticut Race Amity Day with appropriate programs and activities; and

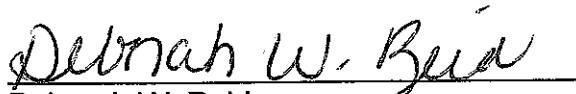
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council stands firmly committed to peace, justice, freedom, and establishing an anti-racist culture in South Windsor.

Was made by Councilor Evans
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Pendleton
The motion was approved unanimously

18. Adjournment

At 7:36 p.m., Councilor Snyder made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Deputy Mayor Pendleton seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Deborah W. Reid
Clerk of the Council