

Members Present: Rob Daves, Bobbie Knable, Christiana Akins, Ann Kamensky, Bernard Greene

Other: Caitlin Starr (ODICR)

Minutes

1. Minutes from 5/13/21 approved unanimously.
2. Juneteenth
 - a. Caitlin gave an update about the current community planning around a Juneteenth Celebration.
 - i. – March from FRR begins at 10AM. March ends at Brookline Ave Park and Playground. Departments and Commissions are invited to table the event and engage with residents. Community Engagement Strategist will be inviting Departments next week.
 - b. Committee would like to be present at the event (12-2PM). Rob and Bernard said they could be there. Caitlin will also be there.
 - c. Caitlin can bring copies of “Some of My Friends Are”, as well as large blank Post It notes for people to write down topics and ideas they would like to see the committee hold events and programs on.
 - d. Committee should also work on recruiting residents to join the Committee, or attend as members of the public.
 - e. Caitlin will send updated information as it comes.
3. Summer Programming
 - a. Scott of “Folk Takes” is not currently available but would be good (and is interested) for indoor programming around music and lecture.
 - i. – Civil Rights Music and History Lecture
 - b. Rob suggested Reggie Harris who performed two years ago for a John Wilson event.
 - i. – Conversations around Race with Wallis Raemer. Wallis will be sending Rob materials of his work and their interactions and previous dialogues. May not be ideal for outside venue.
 - ii. – Collab with Alister Mook?
 - iii. – Rob will reach out to Reggie through Wallis and see what he might be interested in doing with us in Brookline.
 - c. Bernard also suggested Reggie Gibson and offered to reach out to him.
 - d. Discussed possible locations and Town Dept collabs
 - i. – Parks? Are they doing converts at Emerson Park again?
 - ii. – Rec? Will there be a Brookline Day in Sept 2021?
 - iii. – Coolidge Corner Theatre?
 - iv. – Florida Ruffin Ridely (indoor/outdoor)?
4. Next Meeting
 - a. June 29th 10:30AM