

Waltham Democratic City Committee
Meeting Minutes
06/15/2023
6:30-7:35

In attendance: N. Stein, C. Koutoujian, C. Gill, C. Salamanis, S. Fatale, T. Carruth, S. O'Neil, A. Fintzel, S. Winkler, D. Herman, C. Bradley-MacArthur, H. May, S. Kramer, J. Paz, K. Edwards.
Guests: C. Lorant, N. Ryan

Nadene introduced speaker Nancy Ryan, a member of the Cambridge Democratic City Committee. She is advocating for a Massachusetts public bank, owned, capitalized and operated by the state. It would provide low-interest loans to non- traditional groups such as small businesses, farms, and coops. Sen. Mike Barrett is a supporter, as is MA Treasurer Goldberg.

The May meeting minutes were approved.

Jonathan reminded WDCC members of the Citizen's Input Meeting on June 21, 6:30 at 119 School Street. The meeting will address the Housing Rights Notification Ordinance. The ordinance would require landlords to give renters facing eviction a written copy of tenant rights. For more info or to speak at the meeting contact genoveva@watchcdc.org Walthamites can also give input directly to the Rules and Ordinances Committee:

Cathyann Harris, Chair
Patrick O'Brien
Caren Dunn
Randy LeBlanc
John McLaughlin

Colleen urged WDCC members to ask the Waltham Master Plan Committee when they will be sharing the results of the Ward meetings. Contact:

Randy LeBlanc, Chair
Sean Durkee
Paul Katz
Kathleen McMenimen
Carlos Vidal
Jeanette McCarthy, Mayor, ex-officio

WDCC members discussed the agenda for the Candidates Event on July 22. What is the agenda? Will there be a Question and Answer period? Will Unenrolled and Republicans be invited? Can we focus on certain topics? Will we distribute a Questionnaire? A subcommittee of volunteers is forming and Nadene will pass on those names to Clarence.

A motion was approved to make \$500 available to market the Candidates Event to Waltham Democrats. Mailers will inform Democrats of the event and ask for donations to the WDCC.

There is currently \$1200 in the WDCC treasury.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

Submitted by Debra Herman, secretary