



## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** ASHLEY FLYNN-NATALE  
CITY AND TOWN CLERK

**FROM:** CHRISTOPHER FORTE, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL

**DATE:** NOVEMBER 15, 2023

**RE:** **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LGBTQIA+ COMMISSION**

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THE LGBTQIA+ COMMISSION WILL HOLD A REGULAR MEETING ON **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.** THE MEETING WILL BE A CONDUCTED AS A HYBRID MEETING, HELD ONLINE VIA WEBEX, AND IN-PERSON IN ROOM 208, CITY HALL, 245 DeKOVEN DRIVE, MIDDLETOWN, CT



**\* THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE \***

**LGBTQIA+ COMMISSION**

**AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING**  
**TO BE HELD IN-PERSON AND VIA WEBEX**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023 AT 5:30 p.m.**

**FOR PUBLIC ATTENDANCE IF ATTENDING IN PERSON**

City of Middletown City Hall  
Room 208, Second Floor  
245 deKoven Drive  
Middletown, CT 06457

**FOR VIRTUAL PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

<https://middletownct.webex.com/middletownct/j.php?MTID=mebd2d3d81316a2d3ac3ade8e67f9080f>

**OR**

Webex.com  
Join a Meeting  
Event Number: 2349 234 7997  
Password: Middletown

**OR**

Dial: 408-418-9388  
Access Code: 2349 234 7997

1. **Call to Order By Chairperson.**
2. **Approval of the Minutes for the October 17, 2023 Regular Meeting of the LGBTQIA+ Commission.**
3. **Public Session on Agenda Items.**
4. **New Business.**
  - A. **Submitted Applications for Proposed Events.**
    - I. **Cookie Decorating at Sweet Harmony, December 10, 3-6 pm (AGC Forte)**
    - II. **Happy Hour at Perk on Main, December 15, 5-7 pm (AGC Forte).**

If you require special accommodations for any meeting, please call the ADA Coordinator at (860) 638-4540, (voice) or (860) 638-4812 (TDD/TTY), or the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 638-4910 at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled meeting.

**III. Speed Dating and Friending: Ugly Sweater Edition, December 18, 6 – 9 pm at Relish (Commissioner Jarda).**

**5. Old Business.**

**A. Middletown PrideFEST 2024 (Commissioners and Members of Public).**

**I. Recommend approvals for Middletown PrideFEST 2024.**

**a. Application Review**

**II. New Ideas for Middletown PrideFEST 2024.**

**B. Middletown Pride Mutual Aid Program (Brianna Skowera).**

**C. Middletown Pride Discord Account and Facebook Access (Commissioner Haddad).**

**D. Safety for LGBTQIA+ Community in Middletown (Commissioner Timmons and Mangiafico).**

**E. Middletown Pride Grant Program. (AGC Forte).**

**F. Middletown Pride Scholarship Program.**

**G. Middletown Pride Community Event Program.**

**I. Recap of Queer Youth Open Mic at Downtown Trick or Treat, 11am-2pm on the South Green on October 28 (Mel Cordner).**

**II. Recap of Gayme Night, Back Again Board Games, 6-9 pm (Commissioners Haddad and Santacrose) on November 13**

**III. Recap of LGBTQIA+ Happy Hour on November 16 (Commissioner Kovach)**

**IV. November 22, 2023—Pridesgiving (AGC Forte)**

**V. December 9, 2023 – Swim with Pride (Commissioner Billingsley)**

**VI. December 10, 2023 – Cookie Decorating at Sweet Harmony (AGC Forte)**

**VII. December 11, 2023 – Pride Health Clinic at City Hall (AGC Forte)**

**VIII. December 15, 2023—Happy Hour (AGC Forte, Commissioners Kovach and Shapiro)**

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- IX. December 18, 2023, Speed Dating and Friending: Ugly Sweater Edition, Relish, 6-9 pm.**
  - X. January 2024—Gayme Night, Part 4, Back Again Board Games, 6-9 pm (Commissioners Haddad and Santacroce)**
  - XI. January 2024—Flower Arranging at Wild Orchid (AGC Forte).**
  - XII. February 2024**
  - XIII. March 2024—Gayme Night, Part 5, Back Again Board Games, 6-9 pm (Commissioners Haddad and Santacroce)**
  - XIV. April 2024**
  - XV. May 2024—Gayme Night, Part 6, Back Again Board Games, 6-9 pm (Commissioners Haddad and Santacroce)**
  - XVI. June 2024 (Connecticut Trail Days Event, June 2, 2024 Update (Commissioner’s Shapiro and Haddad).**
  
  - H. Pride Flag Visibility Initiative (AGC Forte).**
  - I. Pride Micro-Grant Initiative (AGC Forte).**
- 6. Adjournment.**

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