

**Town of Matthews**  
**Cultural Diversity Committee January 2019 Minutes**

The January Cultural Diversity Committee was held on January 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Jordan Room of the Matthews Town Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairwoman Natisha Patrick. Committee members present included Bob Hughes, Nikki Keith, Angela Lee, Jermaine Milledge, Sarah Milledge, Becky Thompson and Chuck Wilson. Town Manager Hazen Blodgett was present as well as guest Barb Taylor.

The October minutes were approved. There were no minutes for Nov. as there was not a quorum present and there was not a December meeting as the meeting date fell on Dec. 25.

Barb Taylor, Director of the Matthews Heritage Museum History, gave a presentation on the history of Tanktown/Crestdale.

In other business, there was a discussion on setting the strategic direction of the Cultural Diversity Committee. Chairwoman Patrick agreed to add this to the agenda for the February meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

*Mission: The role of the Cultural Diversity Committee (CDC) is to foster a climate of mutual respect among the many diverse groups and communities in Matthews; improve communications between these groups and communities and the Town government and leaders; to offer input to Town and community issues; and to encourage discussion of differing viewpoints to promote an understanding in a multicultural environment and increase Matthews' capacity to become a more culturally competent organization and community. The CDC may also become involved in other tasks as requested by the Board of Commissioners or Town staff and additional subcommittees or task forces may be created as needed.*