



**Minutes of the Brockton Women’s Commission
Meeting on Zoom
November 5, 2025**

Attendance	<p>Sonja Dixon, Chair-Present Lori Pinkham, Vice-Chair- Present Beverly Post, Secretary-Present Caren Benjamin. Commissioner- Present Cynthia Hodges- Commissioner- Present Toyin Adewumi- Commissioner- Present Eugenie Kavanaugh- Commissioner- Excused Absence</p>
Call to Order	5:30 pm
Meeting Minutes	The motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the October 2025 minutes.
Old Business	Follow-up from the October meeting:
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per Sonja: We are not to meet and/or talk about WC with other commissioners unless all are present, in person or in email. No talking outside of the commission about WC internal matters. • It was voted on 4-2 and accepted; that the First Evangelical Lutheran Church will be the venue for the Thursday, December 4th event for Brockton women-owned businesses. Event hours: 5:30- 7 PM • Lori showed a proposal from Enso Gallery for our December event and recommended it, as it is beautiful and has two galleries that can be opened to hold a lot of people. Sonja and Toyin said that Enso might be good for our larger March event. (Proposal below for our records). Lori will contact Arnie Danielson to cancel the Dec. event ‘hold’. • Toyin will create a letter invite and the wording for an Eventbrite invitation. Sonja will be the contact. Responses will go to the WC email address: womenscommission@cobma.us • Lori reminded the group that Eugenie had already volunteered to handle social media for us. • Shahmeer Nazar is the new contact for anyone wanting to be a commissioner. Bev will update the letter. • Sonja asked Bev to update the sign-in sheet for the 12/4 event to reflect female-owned businesses.

- Sonja will call all seven wards and the four councils (11 in total) to tell them about our December event and ask for suggestions of women-owned businesses. Any contact info will be sent to Bev to update our contacts Excel.
- Toyin suggested commissioners should all be thinking of four questions to ask the business owners.
- Our goal for this year is to make ourselves known to more people in the community by going to events and talking WC up.

Enso Proposal:

BOOKING: ENSO Gallery, 86 Centre Street, Brockton, MA 02301
Jeremie Marcellus 617-842-5183 jmar781@gmail.com

EVENT: Mixer – Get Together – Meet and Greet

GUESTS: 50 plus

VENUE RENTAL: \$100.00 per hour – including set-up time

DATE and TIME: Wednesday or Thursday, December 3rd or 4th, 2025
From 5 PM until 7 PM

2 hours @ \$100.00 per hour: \$200.00

Doors for set-up @ 4:30PM | Doors for guests @ 5PM

SERVICES: Our Galleries offer:

- Banquet tables and round guest tables with linens – included
- Banquet chairs – included

NOTES: We ask that you respect our Gallery spaces.

- You may decorate your table tops and use free-standing photo backdrops.
- Helium balloons must be anchored at all times.
- Glitter, confetti, smoke, and fog machines are strictly prohibited.
- Ice for chilling beverages must be kept in hard-shell coolers.
- Candles and other open flames are strictly prohibited.
- Alcohol may not be served, offered, or consumed on the premises.
- You are responsible for removing their own trash – Barrels and liners provided.

Total Due: \$200.00

Beverages provided at Enso:

coffee, iced tea, lemonade, water.

We can bring our own electric hot water pot for hot tea; we would bring tea bags. Arnie has ceramic coffee mugs for hot drinks.

Parking is in the Lincoln Street parking lot:

Corner of Montello & Lincoln Streets.

The parking lot is next to a fried chicken restaurant.

	Walk past the fried chicken restaurant to the end of the street. There is a traffic light at the corner of Center & Montello Streets. Enso Galleries is on the other side of Center Street, at the traffic light.
Adjourned	6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Post
Secretary