

Richfield Human Rights Commission
Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2017

Members Present: Sara Gumke, Jeff Wright, Carrie Chillman, Sarah Musgrave,
Ben Sunderlin, Debbie Eng.

Mike Koob - Public Safety Liaison
Mike Howard - City Council Liaison

1. Meeting Called to order by Chair Sara Gumke at 6:32pm.
2. Motion to approve agenda Eng/ Seconded Wright; agenda approved.
3. It was noted that the July minutes did not include Chief Henthorne in the discussion for agenda item 6-b, Eng moved to amend the minutes/second by Sunderlin, amendment approved. Secretary Chillman will amend the minutes and forward changes to HRC board and City Staff.
4. Open Public Comment: none
5. Reports
 - a. Chair's report: Sara reported that Logan has resigned from the HRC due to moving out of Richfield, effective immediately.
 - b. Secretary's report: none
 - c. Vice Chair's report: none
 - d. City Council Liaison: Mike H reports affordable housing will be discussed at the next City Council meeting on 9/12/17, he encourages HRC members to attend. Mike also notes that the HRA and EDA separately approved budgets to rehab Season Park apartments; and the "Coffee with a Cop" community event will continue and encourages HRC members to attend future dates as well.
 - e. City Liaison: none
 - f. School Board Liaison: not in attendance
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Community Engagement Committee
 - i. Speaker will be put on hold
 - ii. Mark will continue to work on commissions demographic survey as well as data analysis.
 - iii. Hope Church partnership; subcommittee called to discuss this in depth. Will meet 9/20/17 from 7:30-8:30pm; Debbie will contact city staff to reserve the Babcock Room.
 - iv. Weekly tenant meetings at Richfield Towers; None scheduled as of yet, Jeff will coordinate this.

7. Unfinished Business

a. PennFest:

Sara reports that a sign is being made, she requested members to contact her if they are able to staff the table at the event and she has the materials for to have available to give to the public.

b. Trafficking presentation:

Subcommittee will meet on 9/9/17 at Lakewinds, event is planned for 11/11/17 at 11:00am.

c. Planned Parenthood resolution:

Jeff presented the completed document to the HRC members, Deb moved to accept the resolution with the citing of sources in the 2nd and 3rd paragraphs and making date and secretary name corrections; it was seconded by Sarah M and approved by all in attendance.

d. BLM resolution:

Jeff will contact police department for input and rewrite the document that reflects work done in previous subcommittee meeting.

e. Housing Development/Preserving affordable housing:

Deb will contact Isela Gomez about partnering on a tenant's rights forum as well as the trafficking event. Jeff will attend the next HRA meeting.

8. New Business/Announcements/Open Forum:

Ben recapped vigil at the Dar Al Farooq Islamic Center in Bloomington, a lot of speakers for a large crowd. Ben also suggested a resolution from the commission to support DACA; subcommittee formed of Ben, Debbie, and Jeff, a draft will be presented at the October meeting.

9. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30pm.

10. Motion for adjournment; motion Eng/seconded Wright; meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.