



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES

April 5, 2018

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

THIRD FLOOR

CSAC – WEST CONFERENCE ROOM

Members present by roll call: Jacqueline Gerry, Shad Storm, Mel Siyo, Seth Malott, Lin Jennewein

Absent: Diane Cleveland and Merton B. Tice Jr.

Also present: Assistant City Attorney Jessica Rogers, and Administrative Secretary, Robin Garner

Gerry called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

ADOPT AGENDA

Storm moved to adopt the agenda, second by Mallott. Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2018 MEETING

Storm moved to approve the February 1, 2018 minutes. Second by Mallott. Motion carried.

CASE STATUS UPDATE- CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Assistant City Attorney Jessica Rogers gave an update. Since the February meeting, she has had two new meetings with two separate complainants and will be drafting complaints for both. The complaints are in regard to public accommodations.

DISCUSSION ON COMMUNITY MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Storm attended a meeting in March at the Journey Museum on dealing with mental health issues in the community.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND 2018 PLANNING

Social Media Update: Storm informed the group there will be a session on Monday for social media training. Storm presented an overview of the Facebook page that he has put together, but indicated it may change after Monday's training. At Monday's training he hopes to learn which logos to use and direction on what type of content and specific wording can be used. Storm has an understanding of the mechanics of how it works, but he will rely on the Commission to provide input as to the ideas and content that will go on the page. The page is not live and will not be live until we have a full understanding of everything and is fully updated. Rogers explained next Monday's training is focused on what kinds of material is okay to post and types that are not okay to post. She also added that we do not need to have any kind of uniformity with other City social media pages as

long as the page identifies who we are. Storm offered assistance to anyone who would like to learn how to utilize Facebook from a user standpoint.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Gerry shared that she and Storm will be attending the social media training Monday.

ITEMS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Siyo shared a story he saw on the news regarding a discrimination complaint with Ford Motor Company. He also raised concern about the Commission's lack of presentations to groups in the community. Gerry referenced the last meeting and Diane's mention of an organization that is possibly interested, but have not heard anything further. Gerry challenges each member to seek organizations that we could present to and bring back to next month's meeting. Jennewein will speak to the Senior Citizens group. Storm believes Collective Impact may be a good group and will connect with them.

The group discussed possible training opportunities that may prove to be beneficial to the Commission. Housing, Affordable Housing Laws, and understanding the difference between emotional support animals verses service animals were among the topics of interest. Rogers believes housing discrimination would be a good topic as it has been heavily talked about in the community recently. She is happy to provide refresher training on any topic previously discussed if needed. It was decided by the Commission to have Roger's present a brief overview on the areas of discrimination we cover as a Commission with a more extensive focus on housing.

LIAISON REPORT

No report.

BUDGET UPDATE

Garner stated the current budget amount is \$1,000.00 for 2018.

SET DATE AND TIME OF NEXT HRC MEETING.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

Jennewein moved to adjourn. Second by Storm. The meeting ended at 2:28 p.m.