



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Minutes

April 10, 2012

6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Darnel Frost.

Present:

Margaret Duwe
Darnel Frost
Genevieve Hodges
John Hoffmann
Ed Johnston
Romona Miller
Tere Owens
Stacy Reliford

Absent:

None

City Council Liaison: Council Member Iggy Yuan - absent

Staff Liaison: Chief Administrative Officer Mike Brown

Also Attending: Kathie Valentine, Administration Department

Visitors: Chief Jack Plummer

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Maggie Duwe. Attendance is reflected above.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Stacy Reliford and seconded by Maggie Duwe to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2012 meeting as amended and the minutes of the March 20, 2012 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Chief Jack Plummer, Kirkwood Police Department

Chief Plummer distributed a status report on the Police Department's progress in regard to the mediation agreement along with a copy of the department's Citizen Guide to Making Inquiries, Commendations, and Complaints. (Copies attached.)

Some items noted:

- There are 8 in the Explorer program at this time. The Explorer brochure is being reprinted. School Resource Officers make announcements and post information about the program at the high school.

- Chief Plummer is interested in meeting with the PTO.
- Darnel Frost requested a copy of the department's hot dog in the park schedule.
- A police substation has not been set up in Meacham Park, partly due to apprehension from churches to have it in their building. It is hoped that one of the churches in the area may decide to participate.
- Darnel Frost asked that an open dialogue be kept between the Chief and the HRC.

Handicapped Parking at the Kirkwood Post Office

The Commission was again informed that the parking at the post office is ADA compliant. Both Novus and the Regional Manager of the Post Office have been contacted regarding the issue. Novus followed the ADA Code when the building was constructed at which time an ADA door was not a requirement. It was recommended that Jonathan Browne or possibly someone from Paraquad be invited to the following meeting. There was discussion on possibly contacting the press in order to put pressure on them to make desired changes as residents don't feel safe going to the existing ramp.

John Hoffmann reported that handicap signs by the Subway restaurant at the Woodbine Center had not been installed.

Strategic Plan

Strategic plan assignments have been made. Darnel requested that HRC members touch base to discuss the assignments and progress.

Symposium

Commission members asked Romona Miller to work with the school district to get kids involved.

Other

There was discussion on the need for health screenings for some Robinson School students prior to the start of the next school year and the possible use of the BJC bus. Tom Gaither Ganin at R7 should be contacted.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the HRC will be held on May 8, 2012.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Tere Owens and seconded by Ed Johnston to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Romona Miller, Secretary