

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
October 13, 2014
5:30 P.M.
2nd Floor County Committee Room
Governmental Center, Traverse City, MI 49684
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AGENDA

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Discussion regarding the annual Educational Forum
 - b. Discussion regarding the adoption of a Resolution in support of Indigineous Peoples Day
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. MLK Day Celebration
 - b. Sara Hardy Award Celebration
- 6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

Next regular meeting date: November 10, 2014 @ 5:30 p.m.
Agenda Items (w/back up material) and Committee Chair Reports **MUST BE** submitted to Ex Officio, Jamie Caroffino (jcaroffino@traversecitymi.gov) no later than noon, Wednesday, November 5, 2014. Commissioner Packets to be emailed November 7, 2014.

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MINUTES
TRAVERSE CITY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2014
5:30 P.M.
County Committee Room
Governmental Center, 2nd Floor
400 Boardman Avenue
Traverse City, Michigan 49684

PRESENT: Commissioners Gardner, Hornberger, Johnson, McClellan, Mentzer, Nash,
Nerone, Nugent and Stinnet

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Jamie Caroffino

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner McClellan to approve the August 11, 2014 meeting minutes. Upon vote, motion carried 9-0.

2. NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION

Commissioners Johnson and Nugent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Smith, Beulah in Benzie County, addressed the Commission regarding the City of Seattle's adoption of Indigenous Peoples Day and thanked the Commission again for taking the time to consider this resolution.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion regarding the annual Educational Forum.

Commissioner Mentzer spoke regarding the status of the Educational Forum. The commission discussed creating a Public Service Announcement for the event which is to be released to media outlets. The event will take place on October 23, 2014 at Northwestern Michigan College at Scholar's Hall, Room 109, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Discussion.

b. Discussion regarding the adoption of a Resolution in support of Indigenous Peoples Day.

Commissioner Stinnet gave an update regarding the Study Group's research. The Study Group is waiting to hear back from the local Native American group. Commission Nugent to join the Study Group.

Discussion.

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

a. Discuss the celebration of MLK Day, "Embrace the Dream," at the October meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Jamie Caroffino, Secretary

Date

**PRESS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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The Traverse City Human Rights Commission will be hosting a fall 2014 Educational Forum on *Affordable Housing – Fair Housing?* on Thursday, October 23 at 6:30 P.M at the Scholars Hall, Room 109 on the campus of Northwestern Michigan College, 1450 College Drive, Traverse City.

This is a free information forum open to the public.

The forum will include a panel discussion concerning topics on affordable and fair housing in our community.

Melissa Claramunt, Amercian Indian specialist of Michigan Department of Civil Rights, will be the moderator.

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<https://www.nmc.edu/about/maps/nmc-campus-maps.pdf>

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