

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
January 12, 2015
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 DECEMBER 8, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Discussion regarding the Spring Educational Forum
 - b. Discussion regarding the adoption of a Resolution in support of Indigineous Peoples Day
 - c. Discussion MLK Day Celebration
 - d. Discussion Sara Hardy Award Celebration
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. HRC 2014 Annual Report
- 6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

Next regular meeting date: February 9, 2015 @ 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, February 4, 2015. Commissioner Packets to be emailed February 6, 2015.

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

PRESENT: Commissioners Gardner, Johnson, McClellan, Mentzer, Nash, Nerone and Stinnet
ABSENT: Commissioner Hornberger and Nugent
STAFF PRESENT: Jamie Caroffino

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

a. Chairperson

Motion by Commissioner McClellan, seconded by Commissioner Nerone to elect Commissioner Hornberger as Chairperson. Upon vote, motion carried 7-0.

b. Vice-Chairperson

Motion by Commissioner Gardner, seconded by Commissioner McClellan to elect Commissioner Mentzer as Vice-Chairperson. Upon vote, motion carried 7-0.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Mentzer, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the November 10, 2014 meeting minutes. Upon vote, motion carried 7-0.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Lebel René, Traverse City, addressed the Commission regarding the resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion regarding the Spring Educational Forum.

The commission discussed the various topics that were submitted. The topics will be reviewed at the January meeting.

Discussion.

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

Motion by Commissioner Gardner, seconded by Commissioner McClellan to review the resolution adopted by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians that urges governments to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday in October and vote in support at the January meeting. Upon vote, motion carried 7-0.

Discussion.

c. Discussion regarding the MLK Day Celebration.

The event will take place on January 19 at the State Theatre. Upon confirmation from the Mayor's Office, the Mayor will be in attendance and will read a proclamation. The commission is a co-sponsor with Building Bridges with Music.

Discussion.

d. Discussion regarding the Sara Hardy Award Celebration.

It was requested that we ask for nominations for the award on the City's Facebook page once it has been published. The PSA will be sent out in early January for nominations.

Discussion.

5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

a. Commissioner Mentzer

Requested that marriage equality be added to the list of topics for the Spring Educational Forum.

b. Commissioner Gardner

Thanked the Commission for a great year.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Jamie Caroffino, Secretary

Date