

**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**  
**February 9, 2015**  
**5:30 P.M.**  
**2nd Floor County Committee Room**  
**Governmental Center, Traverse City, MI 49684**  
**Posted: 2/6/15**

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**AGENDA**

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2015 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 Indigenous Peoples Day
  - c. Discussion MLK Day Celebration
  - d. Discussion Sara Hardy Award Celebration
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Traverse City Homeless Population
- 6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

Next regular meeting date: March 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, March 4, 2015. Commissioner Packets to be emailed March 6, 2015.

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**MINUTES**  
**TRAVERSE CITY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014**  
**5:30 P.M.**  
**County Committee Room**  
**Governmental Center, 2nd Floor**  
**400 Boardman Avenue**  
**Traverse City, Michigan 49684**

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

**1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**

Motion by Commissioner Mentzer, seconded by Commissioner Nugent to approve the December 8, 2014 meeting minutes. Upon vote, motion carried 6-0.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jeff Haas, Building Bridges with Music, Traverse City, addressed the commission regarding the order of events taking place on January 19 at the State Theatre for “Embrace the Dream.”

Ann Rogers, Traverse City, addressed the Commission regarding the resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day.

Timothy Grey, Traverse City, addressed the Commission regarding the resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day.

Stan Verheul, Traverse City, Clergy Emeritus, addressed the Commission regarding the resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day.

Barb Smith, Beulah, addressed the Commission regarding the resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Discussion regarding the MLK Day Celebration.**

The event will take place on January 19 at the State Theatre. The Mayor will be in attendance and will read a proclamation. The commission is a co-sponsor with Building Bridges with Music and Chairperson Commissioner Hornberger will be speaking briefly at the opening of the event. Commissioner Stinnet will provide tickets for the commissioners who would like to attend the event.

Discussion.

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

Motion by Commissioner Stinnet, seconded by Commissioner Nash to adopt the draft resolution recognizing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day. Upon vote, motion carried 6-0.

Discussion.

**c. Discussion regarding the Spring Educational Forum.**

The commission discussed the various topics that were submitted. Commissioner Gardner was appointed as the chair for the sub-committee. Commissioner Nugent is also to serve as a member on the sub-committee. Motion by Commissioner Gardner, seconded by Commissioner Nugent to select the topic of immunizations for the Spring Education Forum. Upon vote, motion carried 6-0. The forum will be held in the Governmental Center Training Room on the second floor in mid-April from 6:00pm – 7:30pm.

Discussion.

**d. Discussion regarding the Sara Hardy Award Celebration.**

The press release was published on the City's website along with the new City Facebook page. Nominations are slowly coming in.

Discussion.

**4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**a. Secretary**

Motion by Commissioner Gardner, seconded by Commissioner Mentzer to elect Staff Jamie Caroffino as Secretary. Upon vote, motion carried 6-0.

**5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**a. Commissioner Mentzer**

Meeting with Bill Froehlich from WTCM to discuss what the commission does.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

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Jamie Caroffino, Secretary

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Date