

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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**Tuesday,
August 16, 2022**

4:00 PM

**City Council Chambers
206 E. 3rd St.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

PRESENT: Erin Agidius, Lysa Salsbury, Tara Roberts, Elizabeth Stevens, Rula Awward-Rafferty, Kristin Haltinner, Mickey Wuerth, Morgan Chafee, Jana Argersinger

ABSENT: David Pittsley, Ken Faunce

STAFF: Chief James Fry Jr. (staff liaison), Karen Potter (deputy clerk), Sandra Kelly (council liaison)

GUEST: Sara Zaske, Moscow, Idaho

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Human Rights Commission Minutes for July 19, 2022 (ACTION ITEM)

Minutes presented for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Correction: Reports, Item 1, last sentence, should read:

Approximately 140-150 food bags are being assembled each week for the Weekend Food for Kids Project that the food drive helps to support.

Argersinger moved and Roberts seconded to approve the amended minutes as presented. Vote: Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

2. Review of Calendar (ACTION ITEM)

Review upcoming meetings and events.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Add/edit items to the calendar; or take such other action deemed appropriate.

One correction: The Women's Center 50th Anniversary, ICCU Arena – Main Campus, Ijeoma Oluo, will be held on **Wednesday, October 5, 2022**, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

3. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

Guest Sara Zaske, representing Bans off Moscow, requested the Commission consider adding a future agenda item to discuss lowering prosecution rates for abortion seekers in Moscow. Boise City Council has passed a resolution stating the City will not ask law enforcement to direct resources toward investigating abortion providers when the state trigger law goes into effect. Bans off Moscow would like similar deprioritization for Moscow. This information, as well as Zaske's contact information, will be passed along to Faunce.

REPORTS

1. Latah Human Rights Task Force Update

The task force is concentrating on the food drive and would like others to spread the word. Kelly noted that food banks can always use money.

2. Moscow Together Project

This item was removed from the August 15th City Council agenda. The Council would like more time to think it through. A website has been established. The steering committee is meeting on the 29th. Progress continues on the project.

3. Table at Farmers Market

This event went well and flyers for Inclusive Communities Month were distributed.

4. Pride Festival

The festival will be held in East City Park from noon to 4:00 p.m. on August 27. Faunce will be sending out more information regarding tabling at this event. Parade participants will meet at 11:30 a.m. in the City Hall parking lot. Haltinner has t-shirts which can be available at the HRC table for a donation. Potter will check on City policy regarding the sale of items at Commission tables/events.

5. Renaming Indian Hills Park

Haltinner has consulted several individuals about the renaming of Indian Hills Park. It was suggested that the US Geological and Forest Service be contacted to inquire about geological mapping and help with renaming. Haltinner will prepare information to take to Parks and Recreation and City Council, using this opportunity to talk about Native American heritage and children's involvement in renaming the park.

6. Inclusive Communities Month, "Healing Hate and Restorative Justice"

Faunce sent out a flyer with information about Inclusive Communities Month. The speaker for the second Restorative Justice event will be Judge Ingram. There was discussion about a third event to build community regarding restorative justice. This third event could be held in the fall or spring as a social justice forum panel event and could provide a restorative justice toolkit. Potential speakers were discussed including Shane Hyde of the Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired; Cari Fealy, Associate Dean of Students at UI; and a representative from the Nez Perce Tribe. Faunce will communicate by email regarding this forum. The event may be

recorded. Lysa Salisbury will reach out to the Moscow High School Human Rights Club to see if they would be willing to volunteer at the Inclusive Communities Potluck at the 1912 Center.

7. Indigenous People's Day

Planning continues for this Indigenous People's Day. Gwen Carter from the Nez Perce Tribe will be providing a cultural presentation.

8. Report on Hate Incidents and Responses in the Area

There have been no reports of hate incidents.

9. Moscow as an Inclusive Community

Haltinner contacted Greg Morrison, City of Moscow Recreation Manager, and asked that the City's co-ed baseball rules be rewritten to include non-binary individuals—not just males and females. Her request was honored.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Idaho Commission for the Blind will be having a garage sale/fundraiser this Saturday. Awwad-Rafferty will send out information for the commissioners.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Ken Faunce, Chairperson

Moscow Human Rights Commission

Planning Calendar

Tues., Sep 20, 2022, 4:00 pm	Monthly Meeting-City Hall: 1st Floor Conference Room
Thur., Sep 22, 2022 6:00 pm	Growing Up with Hate, Speaker: Marie Eddy Great Room, 1912 Center
Tue., Sep 27, 2022 6:00 pm	Restorative Justice in Idaho: Empowering those affected by crime to create healing solutions. TBD
Tue., Oct 4, 2022 6:00-7:30 pm	Women's Center 50th Anniversary, ICCU Arena – Main Campus, Ijeoma Oluo
Mon, Oct 10, 2022	Indigenous People's Day
Tues., Oct 18, 2022, 4:00 pm	Monthly Meeting-City Hall: 1st Floor Conference Room
Tues., Nov 15, 2022, 4:00 pm	Monthly Meeting-City Hall: 1st Floor Conference Room
Tues., Dec 20, 2022, 4:00 pm	Monthly Meeting-City Hall: 1st Floor Conference Room