

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Minutes~

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**Tuesday,
June 20, 2023**

4:00 PM

**Mayor's Conference Room
206 E. 3rd St.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Ken Faunce, Erin Agidius, Morgan Chaffee, Nick Smiley-Kallas,
Jana Argersinger, Kristin Haltinner, Ducati Schiff,
ABSENT: Tara Roberts, Lysa Salsbury Elijah Jones, Lilly Hume, Rula Awwad-Rafferty,
Elizabeth Stevens,
STAFF: Karen Potter (deputy clerk), Hailey Lewis (City Council Liaison)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Human Rights Commission Minutes for May 16, 2023 (ACTION ITEM)

Minutes presented for approval.

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

There were no changes to the minutes.

Agidius moved and Argersinger 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.

Updates were made to the event calendar.

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

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or
currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the
record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

None offered.

REPORTS

1. Latah County Human Rights Task Force Report – Joann Muneta

The task force attended the Juneteenth event. They are gearing up for the Great Moscow Food Drive. The group continues to work on the revitalization of the task force by partnering with the HRC and recruiting younger members.

2. Juneteenth Activities

The Juneteenth event, held at Friendship Square, was very successful with approximately 300 in attendance. The press covered the event well and contacted Faunce with questions, etc. Next year it will be held in Pullman, possibly at Rainey Park. A shuttle between Moscow and Pullman may also be available.

3. HRC at the Market

A few people stopped to chat at the table last Saturday. The next Farmer's Market tabling event will be on July 15. A signup sheet will be sent out.

4. Collaboration with Girl Scout Troop on Human Rights Activities

The troop researched and composed a proposal for two projects. Faunce signed off on the projects and will email it to the Commissioners. The proposal was approved.

5. Pride Festival / March

The Pride Festival will be held on August 26. The Commission will have a table, and a signup sheet will be sent out. There are several groups that will be marching, and the Commission may march as a group and carry a banner as well.

6. Restorative Justice Forum

This event will be part of Inclusive Community Month.

7. "What are Human Rights" Forum

This event will be part of Inclusive Community Month.

8. Inclusive Community Month

The Moscow Film Society will partner with the Cult Film Society to research a film as one of the events. Two events (Restorative Justice and "What are Human Rights" Forums) are scheduled. There was no update on the CommUnity Walk.

9. Moscow High School Human Rights Conference

There was no report.

10. Renaming Indian Hills Park

This item can be removed from the agenda. It will be assigned to Haltinner's class for the fall semester.

11. Reproductive Rights and Human Rights

There was no report.

12. Mental Health Crisis Team

Bidding is underway for a state-managed care provider. UI is interested in starting a “Masters of Social Work” Program and has asked Haltinner to design it. It will take a couple of years before the degree is available.

13. Event Publicity

The new publicity process worked very well for Juneteenth and Bias Incident Reporting flyers. Information was provided to news services by email.

13. Report on Hate Incidents / Moscow as an Inclusive Community

City Administration has asked the Commission for questions for the 2023 City Commission Survey by August 1. Questions from previous surveys were emailed to commissioners for review prior to the meeting. Old, new, or revise questions may be used.

Faunce attended a Hate Studies conference at Gonzaga. This event provides a good way to make connections and acquire different viewpoints from around the world.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Minutes Approved On

Ken Faunce, Chairperson

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Clerk / Deputy Signature