

Minutes of Meeting
Human Relations Commission Meeting
April 21, 2016

A meeting of the Human Relations Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at Heman Park Community Center, University City, MO 63130

Members in Attendance: Angelene Hayes, Charmaine Glenn, Jaclyn Kirouac-Fram, Linda Shaw, Lucille Harris, Jonathan Falk

Members Excused:

Members absent:

Agenda

The March 17, 2016 agenda was approved.

Minutes

The February 18, 2016 minutes were approved.

Unfinished Business-Source of Income

The Board members are awaiting final word from the City Manager as to what else is needed. The City Manager has informed the liaison that prior to his review, to be sure that the issues such as “What the perceived cons of the change might be”, “who will be impacted”, and if “this has been a problem in the City”? Are addressed. He informed the liaison that he will review the final corrected draft. The initial draft had been returned for edits.

Survey

The Commission Members decided that a survey should be drafted that all members could view, that can be distributed at a later time. The draft was not available at this meeting, and will be available at the next meeting.

By Laws- By Laws, Ordinance, as well as Roberts Rules of Orders should be understood by all commission members before any change can be addressed. Upon reading the Ordinance, a question was answered regarding collecting things such as coats, food, or hosting a party event was mentioned.

Strategic Planning

It was discussed that a survey be generated and once it was evaluated, the strategic planning process can start.

New Business

The Commission wanted to know if they could collect, distribute, and store items for families in need or if they could partner/assist with other City establishments such as the School or Church as noted in the ordinance for other events to host such as a food pantry event.

A board member offered to speak with a staff person from the school to query about any upcoming events that the commission could assist in. A question regarding where to store items such as coats, toiletry items was mentioned, however, this question may be answered when it is determined that the facility may have a storage facility

Public/Citizen Participation

A resident, who was present, wanted to know that if in the future, would the Commission consider hosting meetings where speakers would come in who could address concerns such as Source of Income. After discussion, it was determined that the public would be interested in these discussions.

Council Liaison Report

The Council Liaison informed the members to submit an article to the City Mayor for an article to be included in her weekly newsletter. Since this time, the Commission was listed in the June ROARS.

Other Matters

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.