



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

6:00 PM

311 S. Main

Council Chamber

Chelsea, MI 48118

- (1) Roll Call:
Present: Fox, Kaminsky, Gilbert, Morrel-Samuels, Albertson (Council liaison).
- (2) Approval of Agenda:
Motion by Kaminsky, Second by Gilbert. Amendment by Morrel-Samuels to add item to change July meeting date. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- (3) Public Comment: Laura Thorhauer addressed the Commission, thanking the members for their work on her complaint concerning the library policy on footwear. She expressed her disappointment with the city's response to the complaint. She offered to provide feedback on the process from a complainant's perspective.
- (4) Presentations of Invited Speakers: None
- (5) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – May 16, 2018:
Motion to approve minutes by Kaminsky, second by Morrel-Samuels. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- (6) Regular Business:
 - a) Survey
There were a small number of email addresses from the Chamber's list that bounced back. These will be shared with the with the Chamber.

At last report, there were 127 responses to the electronic individual survey. Morrel-Samuels collected approximately 30 surveys at the Farmers Market. Boxes have been collected from the CRC (at their request) and the Pines. Boxes remain at the other

locations.

Fox addressed the City Council urging members and others to complete the survey. The URL will be included in the Council meeting video.

Fox has not heard back from the High School principal regarding whether the students were given an opportunity to complete the survey.

The last day for survey collection will be June 16th. Members will collect the boxes after that day and deliver all surveys to the City offices.

Data entry for the paper surveys should be completed using a data base that is identical to the data base for the electronic survey. Fox will follow up with the City Manager regarding data entry.

(7) Communications: Fox distributed a letter from Laura Thorhauer to the HRC and City Council. The attachments referred to in the letter were not available at the time. It was agreed to add discussion of the letter to the agenda for the July meeting.

(8) Reports and Future Agenda Items: The date from the July HRC meeting was changed to July 5th at 6:00 in Council chambers.

Gilbert announced that there will be a gay pride march from Pierce Park to the library on June 9th beginning at 11:00, followed by a presentation by a speaker from the ACLU.

Morrel-Samuels announced a series on Peace, Justice and Sustainability to be held at Michigan Friends Center, beginning on June 25th.

(9) Adjournment:
Motion to adjourn by Gilbert, second by Kaminsky. All Ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.