



Carbondale Human Relations Commission

Minutes – June 5, 2017

Carbondale Civic Center - 5:00pm

Commissioners Present: Joseph Brown, Stephanie Brown, Jerrold Hennrich, Dora Weaver, Karriem Shariati

Commissioners (Excused): Ted Gutierrez

Commissioners (Unexcused):

Guest Present: Sarah Heyer, Elius Reed, Roseanna Dorsey

SIU-C Dept. of Public Safety Representative: None

Staff Present: Chief Jeff Grubbs, Commission Secretary Courtney Beverly

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05p.m. by Commissioner Hennrich.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Hennrich and seconded by Commissioner Joseph Brown to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2017 meeting. Motion carried. All Voted Aye. Corrections:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Commissioner Joseph Brown distributed handouts for “The East St. Louis 1917 Centennial Commission & Cultural Initiative, The City That Survives” to all the Commissioners and guest.

Commissioner Stephanie Brown announced the Carbondale Community High School District 165 Board of Education meeting, which will be held at the Carbondale Community High School Cafeteria on June 15, 2017 beginning at 7:00p.m.

Commissioner Hennrich announced that the Carbondale Bike Trail was named after former HRC Commissioner Eric McMillan.

ISSUES

Commissioner Hennrich addressed the *18-12-15 Towing and Impounding Vehicles Involved In A Crime* and *Illinois Compiled Statutes (625 ILCS 5/11-208.7)* handouts to the Human Relations Commissioners and Chief Grubbs.

Public Education/HRC Website

Commissioner Stephanie Brown distributed booklets “We’re Amazing, 1,2,3!” A story about friendship and Autism from the Sesame Street and Autism Initiative.

Public Forums/Events

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Reed addressed the Investigation Discovery news coverage on SIU student Pravin Varughese.

PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Sparrow Coalition Report

Commissioner Shariati mentioned the construction of Tiny Houses from “Cooks Housing” on Washington Street in Carbondale.

Neighborhood Action Group Report

Sarah Heyer announced that there are no schedule meetings for the month of June 2017.

Non-Violent Carbondale Project Report

None to Report

Racial Justice Coalition

Commissioner Weaver attended the The Racial Justice Coalition meeting for June 2017 at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Carbondale, Illinois.

Law Enforcement

Chief Grubbs announced the graduation of twenty class members from the Advanced Citizen Police Academy.

Chief Grubbs mentioned the annual Carbondale Police Department and Noon Rotary Bicycle Helmet Distribution program, which was held at Thomas School on May 8, 2017.

Carbondale Police Department host “The Cop on Rooftop” to benefit Special Olympics Illinois at the local Carbondale Dunkin’ Donuts.

The Carbondale Police Department and Southern Illinois University Police Department will participate in the "The Law Enforcement Torch Run", which will begin on Wednesday, June 7.

Community Service Officers Program currently have vacancy and applications are available through the Explore Carbondale website and City Hall Human Resources Department.

Items for City Council

None

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – July 10, 2017. There being no further business, Chair Hennrich moved, and seconded, to adjourn. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20p.m.

Recorded by Courtney Beverly _____