



Carbondale Human Relations Commission

Minutes – October 1, 2018
Carbondale Civic Center - 5:00pm

Commissioners Present: Jerrold Hennrich, Dora Weaver, Joseph Brown, Ted Gutierrez, Karriem Shariati, Carla Childs

Commissioners (Excused): Stephanie Brown

Commissioners (Unexcused):

Guest Present: Roger Webb, Dr. Ella Lacey, Margaret Nesbitt, Marilyn Brown Tipton, Rodney Morris, Scott Martin, Nathan Colombo, Jennifer Gutierrez, Elius Reed, Amelia Blakely, Rana Schenke, Rodney Cavity,

SIU-C Dept. of Public Safety Representative: None

Study Circles Staff: Sarah Heyer

Staff Present: Commission Liaison Courtney Beverly

CALL TO ORDER

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

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Ted Gutierrez and seconded by Commissioner Karriem Shariati to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting. Motion carried. All Voted Aye. Corrections:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Elius Reed announced that the Carbondale Planning Commission are meeting on Wednesday October 3, 2018 at the Carbondale City Hall beginning at 6p.m. which will discuss the Brightfields Solar Project permit.

Commissioner Weaver mentioned the 11 Days for Compassion meeting that was held on September 25, 2018 was located at the Carbondale Newman Center.

The Gaia House Interfaith Center held a conference on September 30, 2018.

The Carbondale St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church are scheduling a meeting for new members on October 1, 2018 beginning at 7p.m.

Margaret Nesbitt announced the I Can Read banquet which will be scheduled for October 27, 2018 beginning at 6p.m.-12a.m. located at the Carbondale Elks Lodge.

Commissioner Weaver announced the Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration which will be held on October 3, 2018 beginning at 2p.m.to 3p.m. and will be held at the Southern Illinois University, Carbondale Student Center Ballrooms C and D.

Margaret Nesbitt announced the Carbondale NAACP annual banquet which will be held on October 14, 2018 beginning at 4p.m. located at the Carbondale Civic Center.

Elius Reed discussed a newspaper article that mentioned the Human Relations Commission Chair Jerrold Hennrich and the September 13th Community Roundtable Discussion.

Chair Hennrich announced Free Dentistry Day for Veterans on November 12, 2018 located at Dogwood Dental Care in Carbondale, Illinois.

PRESENTATIONS

None To Report

OLD BUSINESS

None To Report

ISSUES

None To Report

Public Education/HRC Website

None To Report

Public Forums/Events

None To Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carbondale Concerned Citizens discussed the Koppers Tie Plant and the Brightfields Special Use Permit to the Human Relations Commission.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

The Human Relations Commission discussed writing a letter of support for the Carbondale Concerned Citizens in regards of the Brightfields Solar Project.

Chair Hennrich announced a subcommittee group for the Brightfields Solar Project letter which will include Commissioner Shariati, Commissioner Weaver and Commissioner Gutierrez.

Chair Hennrich announced to release two press releases for October 5, 2018 Brightfields Solar Project Subcommittee meeting and a special Human Relations Commission meeting on October 8, 2018.

Commissioner Gutierrez addressed the Human Relations Commission about the September 13th Community Roundtable Discussion press release.

Chair Hennrich discussed the table topics and notes of the September 13, 2018 Community Roundtable Discussion with the Commissioners.

PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Sparrow Coalition Report

Roger Webb announced the collection of Hygiene bags which will be distributed to the homeless.

Roger Webb announced the Carbondale Community Solar meeting which is held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and is located at the First Christian Church from 11a.m. to 1p.m.

Women For Change

None To Report

Neighborhood Action Group Report

None To Report

Non-Violent Carbondale Project Report

Sarah Heyer announced that on November 5, 2018 Dr. Patricia Welch Saleeby will be the guest speaker for the Human Relations Commission.

Racial Justice Coalition

None To Report

Law Enforcement

None To Report

Items for City Council

None To Report

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – November 5, 2018. There being no further business, Chair Hennrich closed the meeting to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04p.m.

Recorded by Courtney Beverly _____