



Carbondale Human Relations Commission

Minutes – December 3, 2018
Carbondale Civic Center - 5:00pm

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

Commissioners (Excused): Ted Gutierrez

Commissioners (Unexcused):

Guest Present: Carla Womack, Kim Herron – Titus, Roger Webb, Elius Reed

SIU-C Dept. of Public Safety Representative: None

Study Circles Staff: Sarah Heyer

Staff Present: Chief Jeff Grubbs, Commission Liaison Courtney Beverly

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02p.m. by Chair Hennrich.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Joseph Brown and seconded by Commissioner Karriem Shariati to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2018 meeting. Motion carried. All Voted Aye. Corrections:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Weaver mentioned that Carbondale Community High School parents have met due to recent racial tension between students.

Elius Reed mentioned that the Carbondale Planning Commission will have a Notice of Public Hearing at the December 12, 2018 meeting beginning at 6p.m.

The SIU Board of Trustees meeting will be held on December 13, 2018.

Elius Reed announced that SIU Interim President Kevin Dorsey mentioned that the student enrollment will drop again next year.

Chief Jeff Grubbs announced the World Café Police/Community Training which will be hosted by the Carbondale Police Department and Carbondale NAACP. The World Café is scheduled for December 13, 2018 located at the Eurma Hayes Center beginning at 6:30p.m.

Elius Reed announced that Illinois has a new Governor.

Commissioner Stephanie Brown announced the Carbondale Branch of the NAACP Annual Martin Luther King Jr Breakfast on January 21, 2019 located at SIU beginning at 8a.m.

PRESENTATIONS

The Women's United Network presented by Carla Womack and Kim Herron – Titus.

The Women's United Network is asking the Human Relations Commission to cosponsor the 2019 United We March event to commemorate the Women's March and build positive community engagement in Carbondale.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stephanie Brown and seconded by Commissioner Dora Weaver to approve the cosponsor and endorse the event for the Women's United Network for January 19, 2019.

Motion carried. All Voted Aye.

OLD BUSINESS

None To Report

NEW BUSINESS

The Human Relations Commission discussed the 2019 Calendar of Meetings and the Annual Retreat.

The Human Relations Commission Annual Retreat is scheduled for July 13, 2019 beginning at 12p.m.- 5p.m.

ISSUES

None To Report

Public Education/HRC Website

None To Report

Public Forums/Events

None To Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elius Reed discussed the denied Brightfields request for special use permit.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Karriem Shariati recommended that the Human Relations Commission should endorse the World Café Police/Community Training, Coats For Kids Drive and the donation to the Boys and Girls Clubs of America in the form of a PSA to the local media.

The Human Relations Commission discussed the World Café Police/Community Training Flyer and the Shared Principles.

The Human Relations Commissioners discussed Carbondale Warming Centers.

Commissioner Karriem Shariati announced that next fall SIU Neely Hall will reopen.

PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Sparrow Coalition Report

None To Report

Women For Change

None To Report

Neighborhood Action Group Report

Sarah Heyer announced that the Annual Neighborhood Alliance meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2019 beginning at 10a.m-12p.m.

Non-Violent Carbondale Project Report

None To Report

Racial Justice Coalition

None To Report

Law Enforcement

Chief Jeff Grubbs discussed the Personnel Commendations/Complaints 2017 Summary to the Human Relations Commission.

Twenty citizens have graduated from the Carbondale Citizen Police Academy.

Discussion regarding the status of the Ride-Along Program.

Chief Jeff Grubbs mentioned the 2019 Coats For Kids Drive which has partner with the SIU Saluki Athletics and will be accepting donations at the Carbondale Police Department.

Items for City Council

None To Report

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – January 7, 2019. There being no further business, Chair Hennrich closed the meeting to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45p.m.

Recorded by Courtney Beverly _____