

City of Keene
New Hampshire

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 5, 2021

5:00 PM

Remote Meeting via Zoom

Members Present:

Dr. Mohammad Saleh
Shaun Filiault
Sofia Cunha-Vasconcelos
Marti Fiske
Councilor Jan Manwaring
Ritu Budakoti
Nancy Salwen
Dr. Dottie Morris

Staff Present:

Andy Bohannon, Director of Parks,
Recreation & Facilities

Members Not Present:

William Hay, Chair

1) Welcome and Call to Order

Dr. Saleh called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and read the Executive Order from the Governor of the State of NH authorizing a remote meeting during the Covid-19 State of Emergency. Mr. Bohannon conducted roll call.

2) Minutes – March 1, 2021

Corrections: in line 32 change. "He continued that heard..." to, "He continued that he heard..."
In line 71, change "UNH" to "USNH."

Councilor Manwaring moved to approve the minutes of March 1, 2021 as amended, which Dr. Morris seconded, and the motion passed with unanimous roll call vote in favor.

3) Finance Report

Mr. Bohannon presented the current budget as informational. As occurs every few years, he said that the finances were audited and a corrected budget would be presented at the next meeting reflecting a tent deposit and a few expenses in 2020 related to the International Festival.

4) Pride Month

During the previous month, Mr. Filiault reported receiving no follow-up to his communications with the Monadnock International Film Festival (MONIFF). Mr. Bohannon had a meeting with MONIFF before this one related to another project and he suggested it was a good time to reach out again. Mr. Filiault thought the date would have to change at this point because of this delay. Potentially there could be a live event later this summer.

5) Juneteenth

The subcommittee would be meeting via Zoom on April 6 at 7:00 PM. Ms. Salwen would join. Councilor Manwaring hoped to begin working on a "save the date" flyer at this meeting. The Councilor also reached out to Jenna at the Historical Society, who is considering inviting an impersonator of Ona Judge, one of George Washington's escaped slaves. Additionally, Gail Zachariah at the Library suggested the film Miss Juneteenth and Councilor Manwaring would discuss it more with her.

6) Library ALA Grant

7) New, Other Business

8) Adjourn – Next Meeting Monday, May 3, 2021

Due to A technical error, the meeting ended at 5:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Katie Kibler, Minute Taker

Edits submitted by,
Andy Bohannon, PRF Director