

City of Grand Haven Human Relations Commission

Thursday May 28, 2024, called to order at 5:36 p.m.

City Hall [519 Washington Grand Haven, MI 49417]

The Highlights:

The regular meeting of the Grand Haven Human Relations Commission was called to order by Annie Baker at 5:36 p.m. in the council chamber of Grand Haven City Hall [519 Washington Ave. Grand Haven, MI 49417]

Commission Members present: Greta Fuller, Amber Mendiola-Suarez, Anne Baker, Jessica Cole Robinson, Andrew Villanueva, and Wes McGee

Commission Members absent: Emmet Brown and Keith Colson

Community Members present: Tim Price, Assistance City Manager

Others Present: No others present

1. Upon the presentation of the Agenda, Comm. Villanueva motioned to approve said agenda with Comm. Fuller seconding the motion.
2. Upon the presentation of the April meeting Minutes, Comm. Villanueva motioned to approve said March meeting minutes with Comm. McGee seconding the motion.
3. A welcome call to the audience is made by Comm. Baker.
4. Liaison Report:
 - a. The Momentum Center's Prom with a Purpose, which took place on May 18, 2024, was a success. The Momentum Center's Holland location will be hosting Homecoming with a heart on September 20, 2024. The Momentum Center's Grand Haven location will be hosting dinner and a movie on June 12, 2024. The Momentum Center is \$133,000 short on their \$2 Million fund raising goal. The Momentum Center's Grand Haven location is currently under construction. The Momentum Center is seeking participants for the "Across the Bridge Program
 - b. The Loutit Library will be hosting a Grand Adventure Kick off Party on June 1, 2024, a Red Cross Blood Drive on June 10, 2024, a Harbor Island Sculpture Park Series (with Maureen Bergquist Gray) on June 13, 2024, and a Music Concert (Music at the Blissful) on June 26, 2024.
 - c. Grand Haven Area Public schools will have an all-staff training called, "Mitigating Microaggressions" in February 2025, and information from that training will be used in K-11th grade classrooms.

5. Old Business:
 - a. Mental Health resources were sent out on the HRC Facebook page for Mental Health Awareness Month.
 - b. A HRC booth request was submitted to the Grand Haven Pride Festival.
 - c. Discussed having a booth at the Grand Haven Hispanic Heritage Festival which is being held on September 21, 2024.
 - d. Pride flyers were given to members to distribute to local businesses.
6. New Business:
 - a. Comm. McGee is resigning from the HRC.
 - b. August-September is Hispanic Heritage Month.
 - i. Discussed creating a Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation.
 - c. A google sheet has been created for volunteers for the HRC booth at the Pride Festival.
 - d. Discussed sending out Pride Month content on the HRC Facebook Page.
 - e. Discussed sending out Juneteenth content on the HRC Facebook Page.
7. A second call is made to the audience by Comm. Baker.
8. Comm. Cole Robinson motions to adjourn the meeting with Comm. Villanueva seconding the adjourn motion.
 - a. Meeting Adjourned at 6:11 p.m.
9. The next Human Relations Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 27, 2024, at 5:30p.m.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Comm. Amber Mendiola-Suarez 6/17/2024