

City of Cottage Grove
Human Services/Rights Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 13, 2007

Members Present: Rajean Moone, Chair
Jen Peterson, Vice Chair
Christie Thompson

Members Absent: Danisa Farley

Council Liaison: Fred Luden

Staff Liaison: Joe Fischbach

1. Call to Order

At 7:07 PM the meeting was called to order.

2. Approval of Minutes

Christie Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2007 meeting. Jen Peterson seconded the motion, All Present in Favor.

3. Strawberry Fest

There will not be a table that the Human Rights/Human Services Commission will need to staff but there will be an opportunity to give out the FacingRace event flyers.

4. FacingRace

There are 28 people signed up to attend thus far. Joe, Rajean and Rowzat, from the St Paul Foundation, will meet on Friday at River Oaks to discuss the logistics for the event. The letter of agreement with the Minnesota Women's Consortium has been signed by both parties. Advertising of the event will be in the Minnesota Women's Consortium newsletter, on the cable access channel and the Bulletin has run it a few times.

5. Diversity Highlight of the Month

Christie Thompson explained why Jim Crow laws were given such a unique name.

6. City Update

Council Liaison Fred Luden gave the Commission a City update. He specifically talked about the K-9 unit, the amended City Code relating to the Human Rights/Human Services Commission, Washington County traffic analysis, Norris Marketplace, the Roundabout project, Comprehensive planning and the East Ravine project.

7. Neighbors Connecting Neighbors Update

Doug will be at the FacingRace event and will film segments. He will then take some of the material from the program and fuse them together for the next cable access airing.

8. Commission Comments & Requests

The South Washington County Service Center will be host to an open house on June 26th. Joe Fischbach will check to see if a tent can be secured for the Commission for National Night Out. Someone from the Commission may write an article for the Bulletin relating to hate crimes.

9. Adjourn

Jen Peterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM; Seconded by Christie Thompson, All Present in Favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Fischbach
Management Analyst