



Minutes
CHASKA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
Thursday, February 22, 2024
6:30 PM

1. Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Carlson, Vice Chairperson Hubbard, Commissioners Rehn LeSueur, Jennifer Welvaert, Kevin Mee, Yousif Hamza, Youth Representative Juhi Ghatti, and City Staff Elise Durbin

Absent: Commissioners Ali-Daar, Sandison, and Haanan

2. Adopt Agenda

Motion: Commissioner Hubbard

Second: Commissioner Ghatti

Motion: Carried

3. Introduction of New Members

Commissioners Mee and Hamza introduced themselves to the other Commissioners and shared about why they joined the Commission.

4. Recommend Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Commissioner Welvaert made a motion to nominate Sara Carlson for Chair in 2024.

Motion: Commissioner Welvaert

Second: Commissioner LeSueur

Motion: Carried

Commissioner Hubbard made a motion to nominate Jennifer Welvaert for Vice Chair in 2024.

Motion: Commissioner Hubbard

Second: Commissioner Mee

Motion: Carried

5. Open Forum/Guest Presentation

5.A. Sydney Seiffert and Erin Link - Chaska Parks and Recreation

Sydney Seiffert and Erin Link shared information about what the Chaska Parks and Recreation does for the community and how they partner with the Human

Rights Commission. They also described some of the events they have planned for the upcoming year.

6. Approve Minutes

6.A. Adopt Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2024

Motion: Commissioner Welvaert

Second: Commissioner Lesueur

Motion: Carried

7. Treasurer's Report

7.A. Treasurer's Report 2023

Durbin reported February expenses as follows: All invoices and costs for the MLK Day celebration, Hooked on Books, and Human Rights Award were already made and are shown in the document. Purchases for name tags and shirts for the new commissioners will be made in February or March.

Motion: Commissioner Hamza

Second: Commissioner Hubbard

Motion Carried

8. Old Business

8.A. Community Partnerships

Chair Carlson shared about events that have been done in partnership with businesses and organizations in Chaska.

8.B. Communications

Chair Carlson commented on the Speed Friending initiative led by Greg Anderson, which will take place on Tuesday, February 27th, from 6-7:70 p.m. at Patron's. This event will be a safe place for anyone to come and meet new people in Chaska. Commissioner Welvaert shared that the AARP tax days have been very successful so far.

9. New Business

9.A. Committee Selections

The Commissioners shared which subcommittees they would like to work with this upcoming year.

10. Next Meeting Date – March 28, 2024 at City Hall Council Chambers.

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.