

**Minutes of Richmond Human Rights Commission (RHRC) Meeting
August 9, 2017**

Location: City Hall, 239 W. Main St., Richmond, KY 40475

Attending Members: Asad Jadoon, Debbie Secchio, Pat Reister, Virgil Gardner, David Johnson, Mitch Brown

Guest: Richard Thomas, City Manager, Rifath Ali & Laura Helvey

Vice Chair Pat Reister presided over the meeting and it was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Chairman called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the June meeting. Being none, a motion for approval was made by Commissioner Jadoon and a second took place by Commissioner Gardner. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Commissioner Reister spoke about the passing of Chairman Michael Parker. The commission will make a donation in remembrance of him to the fund based at St. Mark's church that will help pay funeral expenses.

Old Business:

The informational flyers we discussed can be used for events on EKU campus e.g. Cardinal Craze, Kidsfest, etc. Also made available at our public library. We will have a table for Cardinal Craze in the Powell Building on 8-22-17.

A Dell laptop is being made available for RHRC from the city's budget. Tracy Bryant has asked that Commissioner Jadoon pick it up.

City Manager Thomas will work on finding us a storage space.

RHRC needs to have it's information up on the government channel. Commissioner Jadoon will check with Tracy Bryant.

New Business & Complaints:

- Elections were held for a new Chair and Vice Chair, Commissioner Secchio made the motion that Commissioner Reister take the Chairman's job and David Johnson take the Vice Chair's job. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jadoon. All were in favor.
- We decided to try referring qualified people for the vacancy. Ms. Helvey said she is interested in applying.
- Decision made to change our meeting to Thursdays at 7PM if it clears with Lisa Cassity.
- The Chair will speak with Michael's family so we can retrieve the keys and any documents we might need.
- The Richmond Register article for August will cover voter's rights.

Complaints: We discussed a complaint taken by Commissioner Brown that was referred on to the state level.

Upcoming meetings & events:

- None

Next meeting: Our next meeting will be on September 14, 2017 at 7 PM at the same location.

Commissioner Reister is carrying the mobile phone.

At the conclusion of the business, it was motioned by the chair to adjourn the meeting at 7:55PM, it was seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was concluded.