

**Minutes of Richmond Human Rights Commission (RHRC) Meeting
April 12, 2017**

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

Attending Members: Michael Parker, Asad Jadoon, Debbie Secchio, Mitch Brown, David Johnson
Chairman Michael Parker presided over the meeting and it was called to order at 7:12 PM.

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

Old Business:

- Commissioner Secchio reported that she attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting on April 6th to promote and distribute window clings.
- The March Richmond Register submission was "Human Rights Commission Taking Scholarship Applications". The April article will be "Fair Housing Strides in Kentucky"
- Budget: we discussed that the city never actually places our funding into our account, so we need to request the money depending on the need, e.g. \$1000.00 for upcoming scholarship award. Also it is a good idea to make any other needed purchases before this year's funding lapses. Total projected new budget request at this point is \$7385.00
- Annual Report: We are all to read the preliminary document and give our input. Over the last 2-3 years we have handled complaints in all relevant areas which are education, housing, employment and public accommodation. On the 4th Tuesday of May the report will be presented to the City Council.

New Business & Complaints:

- Advertising: We want to check on the cost of ads promoting the RHRC including community spots/public announcements the radio stations may provide for free or low cost. Commissioner Johnson will check with some stations including ECU college radio.
- Commissioner Secchio will resubmit our commission contact info to the state for correction on their website.
- There was one inquiry made which pertains to housing. It was referred up to state level.

Upcoming meetings & events:

- None

Next meeting: Our next meeting will be May 3, 2017 at 7 PM at the same location. This is one week early so we can assess the scholarship entries.

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

Debbie Secchio, Secretary