



Carbondale Human Relations Commission

Minutes – February 1, 2021
Carbondale Civic Center - 5:00pm

Commissioners Present: Anita Brown, Stephanie Brown, Dora Weaver, Roger Webb, Joseph Brown, Carla Childs, Roy Mazcuchowsk

Commissioners (Excused): Michelle Snyder

Commissioners (Unexcused):

Guest Present: Dr. Carl Flowers, Matt Buckman Lee Hughes

SIU-C Dept. of Public Safety Representative: None

Study Circles Staff:

Staff Present: Interim Chief Stan Reno, Community Resource Officer Gerald Edwards, Community Development Manager John Lenzini, Commission Liaison Courtney Beverly

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00p.m. by Chair Stephanie Brown

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Anita Brown and seconded by Commissioner Joseph Brown to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2021 meeting. Motion carried. All Voted Aye.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None To Report

OLD BUSINESS

None To Report

NEW BUSINESS

None To Report

ISSUES

None To Report

Public Education/Presentation

John Lenzini the Community Development Manager for the City of Carbondale Community Development Services department briefly discussed his new department and answered questions in regards to community involvement, local businesses and property concerns.

Mr. Lenzini announced that the Neighborhood Alliance will have a scheduled Zoom meeting on February 27, 2021 beginning at 10 a.m. which will be facilitated by the Carbondale Public Library.

Dr. Carl Flowers discussed and announced upcoming events from the NAACP monthly calendar to the Human Relations Commission.

Matt Buckman the Executive Director and Lee Hughes from the *Stress and Trauma Treatment Center* in Eldorado, Illinois briefly explained and discussed their program services and their involvement in the surrounding areas of Southern Illinois. If anyone is interested in more information, please call 618-252-9036 or visit their website at www.stressandtrauma.org.

Public Forums/Events

None to Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None to Report

COMMISSION COMMENTS

None to Report

PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Study Circles Neighborhood Action Group

None to Report

Sparrow Coalition Report

Commissioner Webb announced that the Sparrow Coalition meeting will be held on February 2, 2021 beginning at 9 a.m. located at the First Christian Church in Carbondale, IL. If anyone is interested in attending the meeting please contact Roger Webb at rowebb@hotmail.com.

Neighborhood Action Group Report

None to Report

Non-Violent Carbondale Project Report

None to Report

Racial Justice Coalition

None to Report

Race Unity Group

Commissioner Weaver announced that the Race Unity Group participated in the Carbondale NAACP Black History Scholar Bowl on February 24, 2021.

Carbondale United

Commissioner Weaver announced that the Carbondale United will present *Black Hairstory*, which is scheduled for March 4, 2021 beginning at 6 p.m. on Zoom. If anyone is interested in attending the meeting please contact Dora Weaver at doraweaver2@frontier.com or the Carbondale Public Library.

Law Enforcement

Interim Chief Reno announced that The Laborers Local 773, Cusumano and Sons will sponsor a food give away scheduled for February 8, 2021 beginning at 9 a.m. located at the Banterra Center on SIU's campus

Interim Chief Reno mentioned that the Community Service Apprenticeship job posting is currently being advertised on the City of Carbondale website.

Interim Chief Reno announced the Entry Level Police Officer Examination which is scheduled for Monday, March 22, 2021.

Interim Chief Reno and Community Resource Officer Gerald Edwards mentioned and discussed concerns in regards to the Eurma C. Hayes Center and the Carbondale Police department substation.

Items for City Council

None To Report

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – March 1, 2021. There being no further business, Chair Stephanie Brown closed the meeting to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned

Recorded by Courtney Beverly _____