

**TOWN OF HAMILTON  
MEETING MINUTES**

**BOARD/COMMITTEE NAME:** Hamilton Human Rights Commission

**DATE OF MEETING:** MARCH 20, 2024

**MEETING LOCATION**

Via Zoom

**DATE OF ACCEPTANCE:** May 15, 2024

**Attendees:** Fay Ciaramitaro, Joe Domelowicz, Jared Hughes, Jamie Knudsen, Charlotte Madden, Nancy Stehfest, Russell Stevens, Alaina Walsh, Theresa Woodbury

**Absent:** William Olson,

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**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by J. Knudsen at 5:02 PM.

**Public Comment**                    There were no questions or comments at this time.

**Consent Agenda**

**Motion:** *To Approve Meeting Minutes from February 2024 Meeting.*

**Made by:** R. Stevens

**Seconded by:** T. Woodbury

No discussion.

**Result:** On a roll call vote, motion passed

**News From the Wenham Human Rights Committee**

F. Ciaramitaro reported on the WHRC's March 4th meeting. They discussed plans for Juneteenth to be held on June 12th. They also discussed plans for the Pride Picnic and Flag Raising. The State Seal initiative was also discussed.

**Status Update on Service Day**

J. Knudsen noted a new date for the postponed Habitat for Humanity service day is to be determined. An email will be sent to those who signed up to determine best date to schedule.

### **Discussion of State Seal – Town Meeting**

J. Knudsen **stated** the Select Board and the Finance Committee have recommended favorable action on the Change the State Seal initiative for the town meeting. J Knudsen will present on behalf of the HRC.

### **Pride Picnic Planning**

N Stehfest provided update on Pride Picnic planning. The HRC has been asked to provide a tent and chairs for a conversation place for attendees. C. Madden inquired about community service hours for high school students.

**Motion:** *To request the Select Board allow the HRC to participate in the Pride Picnic as requested by the planning committee.*

Made by: N. Stehfest

Seconded by: A. Walsh

No discussion.

Result: On a roll call vote, motion passed

### **Indigenous People's Day**

The Commission discussed planning for the recognition and appointed a subcommittee. Jared Hughes, Russel Stevens, Alaina Walsh and Charlotte Madden have volunteered to plan the event.

### **New Business**

R Stevens spoke about the successful event held for high school students for Autism Awareness Month with speaker Kerry Magro. C. Madden mentioned it was well received by students.

R Stevens also announced the fundraiser to be held in April.

### **Adjourn**

**Motion:** *for adjournment*

Motion made by: J Hughes

Motion seconded by: T Woodbury

Result: On a roll call vote, the motion passed. 6:05 PM

### **Documents Discussed at Meeting**

- Meeting minutes February 2024
- *Treasures of Hamilton History: Sagamore Masconomet*

*Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Stehfest, Clerk*