TOWN OF HAMILTON MEETING MINUTES

BOARD/COMMITTEE NAME: Hamilton Human Rights Commission

DATE OF MEETING: JULY 17, 2024

MEETING LOCATION

Via Zoom

Attendees: Fay Ciaramitaro, Joe Domelowicz, Jared Hughes, Jamie Knudsen, Nancy Stehfest, Russell Stevens,

Alaina Walsh, Theresa Woodbury

Absent: Charlotte Madden, Tom Myers

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 May 2024 Meeting.

Made by: R. Stevens

Seconded by: F. Ciaramitaro

No discussion.

Result: On a roll call vote, motion passed

Election of Officers

J. Knudsen noted current officers are willing to continue to serve but urged others who are interested in nominating to do so. No new nominations were made.

Chair: Jamie Knudsen Vice Chair: Fay Ciaramitaro

Clerk: Nancy Stehfest

Motion: *To re-elect current officers.*

Made by: R. Stevens Seconded by: A. Walsh No discussion.

Result: On a roll call vote, motion passed

Chair Knudsen also noted Alaina Walsh and Jared Hughes have agreed to serve another term.

Review Past Events

Pride Picnic:

Noted report produced by N. Stehfest. N. Stehfest reported on experience. A. Walsh stated the picnic was the best one yet, despite the rain. J. Domelowicz spoke about recent community member concern about the event.

Juneteenth Flag Raising:

J. Hughes provided a recap of the day's event. Suggested involving the Scouts in next year's event. Thanked Chief Stevens and Officers for their participation. A. Walsh suggested involving the Scouts in both Juneteenth and Pride Flag raisings. Discussed starting planning early. J. Domelowicz suggested a possible "Lunch and Learn" at the Senior Center and other educational outreach. J. Hughes suggested starting a sub-committee in the Fall. N. Stehfest will email North Juneteenth for more information.

Upcoming Event Planning

Indigenous Peoples Day Report:

J Hughes stated no updates as of today.

Possible Community Conversation Event

Chair Knudsen raised the possibility of holding a community conversation. Asked if the HRC should be involved in conversation. J. Domelowicz suggested we need to find a way to include community members. He also spoke about the upcoming Visioning Session to be held at the Miles River Middle School.

F. Ciaramitaro, Chair Knudsen and N. Stehfest will be on the sub-committee.

News from the Wenham Human Rights Committee

F. Ciaramitaro stated the WHRC has not met.

New Business

N. Stehfest asked about the damage at Patton Park. Chief Stevens indicated there were no new developments.

Adjourn

Motion: *for adjournment*Motion made by: R. Stevens
Motion seconded by: T. Woodbury

Result: On a roll call vote, the motion passed. 5:49PM

Documents Discussed at Meeting

- Meeting minutes May 2024
- Report on the Pride Picnic

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Stehfest, Clerk DATE OF ACCEPTANCE: 08/21/2024