

Community Relations Commission Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, November 14, 2023



Present: Kyle Richardson, Glenn Null, Megal Peel, Sara Lozano, Lori Copsey, Sharon Beechy, Casey Kasper-Welles, Catherine Cripe

Megan Peel – City Council Liaison

Visitors: Hannah Scott-Carter, Amanda Guzman

Absent: Ana Zamora, E-Man Monge

Call to Order and Opening

The meeting was called to order by Cathie Cripe

Review of CRC Mission and Principles

Roll Call

Review and approval of Agenda without any changes (Cathie Cripe)

Review and approval of minutes - Glenn asked to make more detailed notes, including dates, neighborhoods, etc.

Treasurer's report: CRC Public Education donation current balance: \$13,858.07

Motion to approve treasury report (Glenn moves, Kyle seconds, approved unanimously)

Neighborhood Reports:

No neighborhood meetings in October, two upcoming events:

- Lacasa Leadership Brunch with Neighborhood Assoc. Presidents - Nov 18.
- West Goshen Neighborhood Assoc. - Nov. 27

Council Liaison Report:

Updated commission on two new ordinances adopted: burning leaves and ordinance violations

Kid Mayors gave their speeches

Mayor's Women Entrepreneurship Day Proclamation for Nov. 19

Old Business:

The City met with the Center for Community Justice. If we choose to continue, we can set up a contract to liaison neighborhood disputes (the Center for Community Justice is not equipped to handle housing discrimination issues). Glenn suggested talking with the police department about utilizing mediation services.

New Business:

Kyle asked about the status of the Juneteenth Committee

Hannah said she will have more info on City/CRC events in 2024 at the December meeting

Glenn asked about purchasing a tent canopy for CRC events and First Fridays. Would like something branded and highly visible, including the full CRC name. This was previously discussed, and a design was created.

Glenn also asked about the list of themes for 2024 First Fridays so the CRC can determine if their presence makes sense at any of the events.

Amanda asked CRC commissioners what the action item would be or the purpose of having a table at First Fridays. The idea was mentioned to potentially create a CRC Application: gauging interest in volunteer or committee work, 1-time volunteer or recurring volunteer. Others would like greater communication about the CRC and what it does.

Glenn moves to adjourn, and Kyle seconds. Meeting adjourned.