



## Human Relations Commission Agenda

5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

Thursday, July 7, 2022

Jack Powell Conference Room – City Hall

25 Center Street

Vermillion, South Dakota 57069

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Adoption of the Agenda**
3. **Approval of the Minutes**
  - a. June 2, 2022 Regular Meeting.
4. **Visitors to be Heard**
5. **Old Business**
  - a. Land Acknowledgement Statement
  - b. Discussion of Listening Session
6. **New Business**
  - a. Rights of Students in Vermillion
7. **Standing Business**
  - a. Resources and Events
8. **Adjourn**

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**Addressing the Commission:** Persons addressing the Commission shall be recognized. Please raise your hand to be recognized and state your name and address.

**a. Items Not on the Agenda** Members of the public may speak under Visitors to Be Heard on any topic NOT on the agenda. Remarks are limited to 5 minutes and no decision will be made at this time.

**b. Agenda Items:** Public testimony will be taken at the beginning of each agenda item, after the subject has been announced by the Chair and explained by staff. Any citizen who wishes may speak one time for 5 minutes on each agenda item. Public testimony will then be closed and the topic will be given to the governing body for possible action. At this point, only commission members and staff may discuss the current agenda item unless a commission member moves to allow another person to speak and there is unanimous consent from the commission. Questions from commission members, however, may be directed to the public through the presiding officer at any time.

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As a courtesy to others, we ask that cellular phones and pagers be turned off during the meeting.

Unapproved Minutes  
Human Relations Commission  
Thursday, June 2, 2022 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Human Relations Commission was called to order on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 5:33 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Jordan Bonstrom, Alexis Oskolkoff (via Zoom), Michelle Kavanaugh, Becky Rider, Mike Phelan

Absent: Brenda Fergen, Student Representative Deidre Whiteman

Staff Present: John Prescott, City Manager; Stone Conley, Assistant to the City Manager

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Oskolkoff motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Rider. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Kavanaugh motioned to approve the Minutes of the May 5, 2022 Meeting, seconded by Phelan. Motion carries unanimously.

4. Visitors to be Heard

None

5. Old Business

5a. Bonstrom stated a google drive had been shared to the group. The introduction memo in the folder should introduce all new members to progress made on the land acknowledgement statements. Bonstrom states progress will continue, and discussions will take place next meeting.

5b. Bonstrom hopes to continue moving forward with the listening sessions. He stated tasks should be delegated amongst HRC members. Mark Daniels will be contacted again to see if he would like to still host once a list of attendants is compiled. Phelan will reach out to some prospective attendees. Oskolkoff will also contact some people through the groups she is involved with. The HRC would like it to be during a July date. Prospective attendees will be reached out to.

5c. Kavanaugh and Bonstrom discussed control of the group's Facebook page. Kavanaugh will be assisting with management of the page, and the HRC agrees to let her solely manage it.

6. New Business

None

7. Standing Business

7a. Monday June 6, 2022 City Council meeting will have an LGBTQ+ and Juneteenth Proclamation. Kavanaugh will reach out to the Vermillion Cultural Association to see what other events are happening. Vermillion Pride is June 10-12<sup>th</sup> in Downtown Vermillion. June 16-19<sup>th</sup> will be the showing of Othello by the SD Shakespeare Festival. River Honoring ceremony will take place at the Vermillion River on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

8. Adjourn

Moved by Rider to adjourn, seconded by Phelan. Motion carried unanimously at 6:12 p.m.

Jordan Bonstrom, Chair

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