

**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 23, 2022**

The City of Fulton Human Rights Commission met on Monday, May 23, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. at Veterans Park Atkinson Pavilion, in Fulton, Missouri. The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. by Carmen Brandt, Chair of the Commission. Roll call was noted by Laure Long, Deputy City Clerk, and the members present were: Carmen Brandt, LeWanda Jackson, Adrienne Lindsey, and Don Stassel. Absent were members Tom Clapp and Sherry Lococo. Also present were Renee Tyler, Director of Administration; Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration; Clay Caswell, Parks and Recreation Director; and Jeremy Polston, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

There were no comments from visitors at this meeting.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 2, 2022.

The May 2, 2022 meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Motion was offered by LeWanda Jackson and seconded by Adrienne Lindsey to approve the May 2, 2022 minutes. Motion carried with four members of the Commission voting in favor, and two members (Clapp and Lococo) absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Juneteenth Celebration Discussion

The Commission members and staff discussed the layout for the Juneteenth Celebration that will be held Saturday, June 18, 2022 from noon – 4:00 p.m. at the Atkinson Pavilion and Amphitheatre. The main event, including the DJ, speakers, and program, will be located on the stage. Food trucks will be placed in the grass area, while vendors will be set-up along the sidewalk. There will be a youth art project located under the pavilion along with voter registration. A section for elderly guests will be placed at the landing, along the rail at the top of the steps with some pop-up tents to provide shade.

Clay Caswell, Parks and Recreation Director, is in charge of providing pop-up tents, water coolers and cups, additional picnic tables, a podium, a golf cart, and will order two porta-potties.

Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration, will make sure Solid Waste provides ten additional trash containers for the event. Jeremy Polston, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor will provide a barricade for the ledge along the rail and bring mats for the food trucks if needed.

It was discussed how the NAACP may be willing to make a donation for the porta-pottie rental. LeWanda asked for the price of the rental to be sent to her, so she could present it to the NAACP. LeWanda agreed to create a program for the event, and the City will print them.

The outline of the program includes a welcome, about Juneteenth, a prayer, poem, praise dance, speaker, and a proclamation presented by Mayor Cannell.

The Commission would like to request the presence of a police officer on site for the celebration.

c) Other Unfinished Business

There was no other unfinished business to discuss at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Other New Business

There was no other new business to discuss at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Human Rights Commission, motion to adjourn was offered by LeWanda Jackson and seconded by Adrienne Lindsey. Motion carried with four members of the Commission voting in favor, and two members (Clapp and Lococo) absent. The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Laure Long
Deputy City Clerk