



**CITY OF ANN ARBOR**

**Human Rights Commission**

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**Date: April 8, 2015**

**Time In: 7:05 PM**

**Time Out: 8:55 PM**

**Location: Council Chambers**

**Commission Members Present:**

- Leslie Stambaugh, Chair**
- Logan Casey**
- Linda Winkler**
- Dwight Wilson**
- Charles Lewis**
- André Wilson**
- Pamela Meadows Dent**
- Councilmember Sumi Kailasapathy (Council liaison)**

**Commission Members Not Present:**

- Neal Elyakin**
- Mohammad Issa**

**Also present was one member of the community.**

## I – Call to Order

Chairperson Leslie Stambaugh called the meeting to order at 7:05. Aimee Carroll recorded the minutes. A quorum of Commission members was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

## II – Opening

- **Roll Call** for the meeting minutes
- **Public comments:** none
- L. Winkler moved to accept agenda as amended; D. Wilson seconded it. Motion passed.

## III – Matters Discussed

- **Approval of March Meeting Minutes:** D. Wilson moved to accept the meeting minutes as amended, L Winkler seconded.
- **Introduction of new commissioner:** Welcome to Charles Lewis.
- **News Notes:**
  - Bylaws: Reminder to commissioners that frequent absences are being addressed as per the bylaws.
  - Neal Elyakin has resigned from the commission effective today.
  - L. Stambaugh will send a link to all commissioners to an article that appeared on a Washtenaw County group's website and is also being distributed in hard-copy format. There is interesting information on the site regarding the Aura Rosser case.
  - C. Lewis will be filling the open position formerly filled by Eleanore Adenekan.
- **HRC phone and email:** No new phone messages/complaints. There were two emails. The first was a continuation of the racial profiling complaint discussed at the March meeting. The commission received more information about one of those complaints – possible racial profiling -- and it is being looked into.
- **Citizen's Review Exploration**
  - **Updates:**
    - D. Wilson shared things that were crucial to him regarding this issue.
      - Community Policing with the goal of a safe community
      - Common Unity: Everyone being unified around the idea of safety and respect.
      - Accountability with transparent policing with oversight and community support. It is important to understand that we are all responsible for creating a safe community
      - Common Understanding that mediation may be required.

- Empathy: The police must understand empathy.
  - Structure: We have to build a structure that can last and is policy focused. See ourselves as liaisons dedicated to preventing unfortunate risks to public safety.
  - D. Wilson shared a document listing the goals of the oversight committee.
- The first draft of a report written by the interns is due April 25<sup>th</sup>. D. Wilson will review the draft with the subcommittee members and the interns. The subcommittee's next meeting will be May 6, 2015.
- **Implementing the Non-Discrimination Ordinance**
- **Budget:** List of needs has been sent to Robyn Wilkerson.
- **Administrative Ordinance Changes:** The Clerks office makes administrative ordinance changes...
- **Revision of HRC Duties 1:221, et seq. of Code:** Group discussed edits to duties and responsibilities and suggested additional changes. L. Winkler to review other commission duties
- **Member Business:** A get together for Eleanor Adenaken was scheduled acknowledging her two terms of service.

**IV– Adjournment** at 8:55 pm, L. Casey moved to adjourn; A. Wilson seconded it. Motion carried.