

Isabella County Human Rights Committee

April 3, 2023

All meetings begin at 5:15p.m.

Zoom Meeting link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84918850969?pwd=ZkVoaGhsbG9nM2J1TmhvYXQvRWQ2QT09>

1. Welcome

Absent/Excused: Amy Perschbacher, Laura Gonzales

2. Approval of Agenda

Phil Mikus Moves to approve agenda, Amy Shawboose seconds, agenda passes committee

3. Public Comment: Guests

Two guests: Register for Isabella County. Wanted to update on new prohibitive restrictions, relating to problematic language in legal documents. This specifically relates to Public act 234.

Will ask about a link to the webpage for the public act.

Commissioner - Goal setting meeting

Next Tuesday, April 12, 2pm the country will meet at the County Building

- Danny McQuarters will attend to represent HRC, Maureen Eke will meet if she can make it.

Mt. Pleasant DPS Director Paul Lauria -

- Mount Pleasant Police Department will through countywide mental health training. This is being coordinated with Community Mental Health and Mount Pleasant City Police. This will happen in August and will also cover responses to domestic violence and sexual assault.
- Director Lauria at the request of CMLife ran a report covering the last 10 years. During COVID lockdown domestic violence skyrocketed. There was a drop in cases when businesses started to open. Sexual assault cases followed similar trends.
- Sheriff Main also has done some work on recording and reporting domestic violence rates. Still not pre-pandemic levels.
- Electric scooters are coming to Mount Pleasant, there are some potential concerns such as traffic and safety, but the city of Mount Pleasant is taking steps to alleviate concerns.
- An electric trolley service is also coming to Mount Pleasant and will allow alcohol on board.
- Both the electric scooters and trolley are limited to 25 mph roads

4. Approval of January, February, & March 2023 Meeting Minutes

January- Laura Gourlay motions to approve, Sarvjit Seconds, - Approved by committee

February Meeting Minutes - Phil Mikus motions to approve, Hunter Burlett seconds -Approved by committee

March - Laura Gourlay, Amy Shawboose seconds - Approved by Committee

5. New Business: 2023 Goals

Tabled until next meeting

6. Reports: President's Report

A. HRC Webpage, budget, etc. (meeting with Nicole Frost)

- The county will move the HRC page to be more visible
- Review minutes since 2021-2022 to have uploaded to the website
- Budget- We will pay for printing and mailing through our printing and binding budget, and additional Let Peace Reign items out of the Education and Seminars budget.
- Danny will email the invoice from AR to Maureen to approve and forward to the county

B. Graduate Student Intern

C. Collaborating with CLASS Residential College

D. "Let Peace Reign" Event, 9/23/2023—co-sponsorship with DPS

- i. Other sponsors—list; return to list from previous years
- ii. Danny will send out a PDF of the Flyer

Committee will find out how much advertisements would be on following stations

- Mac TV
- Morning Sun
- CFX
- WCMU
- Morning Sun

E. Events Calendar

1. CMU Pow Wow
2. Shepherd Maple Syrup Festival (Sunday, April 30)
3. Honoring, Healing & Remembering (June 6)

Sub-committee Reports:

- a) Study of Micro-Aggressions—Community Education Subcommittee
- b) Law Enforcement
- c) Disability

7. Other:

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:15