

HUMBOLDT COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

825 Fifth Street, Room 1A Eureka, California 95501

Virtual Meeting by ZOOM

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 3rd, 2020-5:00pm-7:00pm

I. CALL TO ORDER: 5pm

II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Lelehnia DuBois, David Haynie, Carol Larsen, Byrd Lochtie, Larry Miller, Eddie Morgan, Erin Rowe, Scott Davies

Excused: Steven Loreus, Mary Lyons

Unexcused:

III. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

- a. Byrd requested changes per below.

IV. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:

- a. Lochtie requested two minutes changes. On the second page, under 9c Sanctuary Ordinance, Lochtie says to remove 'are' in "are subject to the Brown Act" making it "subject to the Brown Act". Lochtie also suggested under 9e, where it says, "Glover moved and Lochtie seconded, the appointment of the new chair." to be changed to, "Glover moved and Lochtie seconded, the appointment of Carol Larsen to be the new chair." in order to indicate who the new chair was. M/Lochtie S/Morgan Vote y8/ n0/ a0. **Motion passes**

V. COMMISSIONER INTROS, GUESTS, or SPEAKERS:

- a. Welcome Scott Davies

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. None

VII. COMMISSIONER-COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Lochtie reached out to Equity Alliance twice, no response.
- b. Might need to change colliding dates.
- c. LatinoNet had a forum, Dr Frankovich talking about COVID, HC OE, CdP, went well, might have more forums in the future. Lochtie is going to reach out to see how the commission can get involved.
- d. Rowe has 2 new potential Commissioners that will be applying.

VIII. Emails, Regular Mail, Phone Calls

- a. Email regarding the use of masks in schools. DuBois, emailed County Health, they said the schools are following guidelines. Lochtie states "Schools can do more but are following at least the minimum. This is a public health issue."
- b. Email requesting the commission include public advocacy and creates a public oversight committee made of community volunteers.
- c. Phone Call from Rowe, inmate that wanted to speak with HRC. Eddie is going to call correctional liaison.

IX. All other announcements and communications: (10 min)

Items should be brief and/or submitted to the Secretary for inclusion in agenda.

X. Message Line:

a. Current monitoring report (DuBois)

- 1. Sept 1-15 _____ Rowe _____
- 2. Sept 16-30 _____ Miller _____
- 3. Oct 1-15 _____ Larsen _____
- 4. Oct 16-31 _____ DuBois _____
- 5. Nov 1-15 _____ Davies _____
- 6. Nov 16-30 _____ Miller _____

NOTE **Keep the resource card in front of you**

XI. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Lloyds excused absence report pending.

XII. REPORTS

A. CORRECTIONAL FACILITY LIAISON

- a. Morgan is going to look into the inmate report from Rowe.

B. HUMAN TRAFFICKING FUND-STANDING COMMITTEE

- a. Three grant recipients are in progress with their projects
- b. Requesting presentations for next month.

C. SANCTUARY ORDINANCE-STANDING COMMITTEE

- a. This committee only addresses complaints.
- b. Lochtie suggests we integrate County Office of Ed and setup interpretation for Spanish speakers that want to communicate when Sanctuary law is being violated. Issues

outside of the Sanctuary ordinance cannot be addressed by the Sanctuary Committee. Those issues need to be addressed in other standing and ad hoc committees per Lochtie.

- c. Haynie found via internal HRC instructions that we are the entity that the complaints go to. The complaint form

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Gxcn1jmEAQqCcCt2vB0JtURTRRiqorz2>

D. KINDNESS-AD HOC COMMITTEE

- a. Lyons had an excused absence, no report.

E. RACISM / CULTURAL AWARENESS-AD HOC COMMITTEE

- a. Committee going to meet next week.
- b. Committee extended. M/Miller, Motion to extend the Racism subcommittee to Dec 31st. Lochtie seconded. Vote y8/ n0/ a0. *Motion passes.*

F. CITIZEN OBSERVER-AD HOC COMMITTEE

- a. Morgan is contacting Humboldt Area Foundation in regards to a collaboration.
- b. Discussion to add Davies to the committee and what the committee does.

G. DIGITAL ACCESSIBILITY-AD HOC COMMITTEE

- a. Two Advocacy Plans from Lochtie.
- b. Approval on two PSA's for Access Humboldt
- c. M/Morgan S/Rowe, to approve 2nd text from Lochtie for Access Humboldt PSA. Vote y8/ n0/ a0. *Motion passes.*

H. HUMAN RIGHTS CANNABIS INQUIRY-AD HOC COMMITTEE

- a. Mission statement of the Human Rights Cannabis Inquiry Ad Hoc Committee is to inquire whether cannabis is affecting human rights in Humboldt County.
- b. Emails and social media going out.

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. The commission does not endorse the letter MHSA, but will send an email that we recognize the needs and that the community has expressed their concerns.
- b. Motion to send that email reply. M/Morgan S/Lochtie Vote y8/ n0/ a0. *Motion passes.*

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Secretary.

- a. Lochtie nominating Haynie for Secretary at October meeting. Anyone else that is interested can email or write in to the board and add in their nomination.

B. Listening Sessions/Commission Outreach

- a. Create digital town hall meetings to access the public.
- b. Motion to create a new ad hoc committee for Listening Sessions. M/Lochtie S/Morgan Vote y8/ n0/ a0. *Motion passes.*
- c. Committee ends March 31st 2021.

XV. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Submitted by:

David Haynie, Secretary