

MINUTES
JUNEAU HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA
FEBRUARY 6, 2024

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 5:09 pm.
 - a. Present: John Drips, Haifa Foroughi, Emily Mesch, Lance Mitchell, and Mary Wegner
 - b. Absent: Paula Drake and Camille Mauch
 - c. Support: N/A
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Emily moved to approve the Agenda, which occurred by unanimous consent.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. Minutes of the December 19, 2023 Meeting: Emily moved that the Minutes be approved, which occurred by unanimous consent.
 - b. Minutes of the January 27, 2024 Meeting: John requested that the phrase related to the United States not being a signatory to the Universal Declaration of Equal Rights be removed, as it is not accurate nor relevant to our mission. John moved that the Amended Minutes be approved, which occurred by unanimous consent.
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NON-AGENDA ITEMS: No public were present.
- V. AGENDA
 1. Standing Agenda Topics:
 - a. FY25 Budget:
 - 1) Treasurer Report: There was an expense of \$500 for the facilitator of our strategic planning workshop held on January 27, 2024, which used up all our available budget. Emily will inquire about the possibility of getting additional funding, if needed, to implement our strategic plan.
 - 2) Community Engagement Project: No new information currently.
 - b. Town Halls: Tabled at this time due to discussion at strategic plan workshop.
 - c. Celebrating Black History Month 2024 - Alaska Black Business Expo: The Expo will be held at the JAHF on February 17, 2024 from 1:00-5:00 pm. There will be guest speakers, vendor booths, and workshops. The event is sponsored by the Juneau Black Awareness Association. We will have a table and we have been asked to help promote the event. Lance has been working with Jasmine Smith on the details and there are several speakers already lined up. Haifa and Emily developed on an hour-long session; however, the format they developed focused on holding a round table discussion with invited leaders from non-profit organizations in Juneau but an hour session isn't likely a format that will work. Instead, it appears that there will be a mainstage and as a participant in the event we will be able to share about JHRC for 10-15 minutes. Lance will make additional inquiries to clarify the format and find out the time for our part of the presentation. Haifa and Emily will present during our presentation timeslot.

- d. Celebrating Alaska Native Heritage Month 2024: No information currently. John moved to table this discussion until after the Black History Month event. Emily seconded. Approved.
 2. Resolution in Honor of Rosalee Walker: Haifa shared that the resolution to honor Rosalee Walker is still being revised so no action needed at this time.
 3. Strategic Plan 2024-2025 Wrap-Up: We held a 90-minute work session on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at the Downtown Library to focus on our 2024-2025 Strategic Plan. Timi Tullis facilitated the work session and shared a draft document for us to review. John moved and Mary seconded that we adopt the draft plan for now and then we work on additions or modifications in subsequent meetings. Approved by unanimous consent.
 4. Resolution Encouraging Assembly Action to Increase Productivity in CBJ Committees, Boards, and Committees: John drafted a resolution for us to consider. We will each review the document and come to our next meeting with ideas to discuss. This will be our first agenda item at our next meeting.
- I. PUBLIC COMMENT: No public were present.
 - II. UPCOMING MEETING DATES
 - a. February 20, 2024, at 5:00 pm via Zoom.
 - b. March 5, 2024, at 5:00 pm via Zoom.
 - c. March 19, 2024, at 5:00 pm via Zoom.
 - III. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 pm.