

Community Relations Commission Special Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 – 6 – 7 p.m.

In-Person Goshen City Hall Conference Room - 202 South 5th Street



MINUTES

CRC Members:

Catherine Cripe, Chair
E-man Monge, Treasurer
Sharon Beechy, Secretary
Kyle Richardson
Ana Zamora
Casey Kasper-Welles
Lori Copsey
Megan Peel, Council Advisor

City Staff

Amanda Guzman, Communications Manager
Hannah Scott-Carter,
Community Relations Manager
Gina Leichthy, Mayor

1. Call to Order and Welcome (Cathie Cripe, Chair)

- a. **Present:** E-Man Monge, Lori Copsey, Casey Kasper-Welles, Sharon Beechy, Kyle Richardson, Megan Peel, Hannah Scott-Carter, Amanda Guzman
- b. **Absent:** Cathie Cripe, Ana Zamora, Gina Leichthy

2. Review the CRC Principles (Sharon Beechy, Secretary)

The CRC serves Goshen by developing programs and policies that aim for a city without racism or discrimination of any kind, and build capacity for creative problem-solving, resiliency, understanding, and compassion among the diverse people in our community

- a. Honor the dignity of each person and each person's rights
- b. Listen to the diverse voices of the community
- c. Cultivate constructive communication and engagement
- d. Value honesty, truthfulness, and integrity
- e. Promote a community that is safe for all
- f. Acknowledge and accept the challenge of change—that it may have both positive and negative consequences
- g. Promote the acceptance of differences
- h. Promote equality and freedom from discrimination

3. Approve the Agenda (Sharon Beechy, Secretary)

No changes to the agenda

4. Review and Approve Minutes (Sharon Beechy, Secretary)

June 11 and July 9 – Kyle moves to approve June and July minutes, Lori seconds. Unanimous approval.

5. **Treasurer's Report** (E-man Monge, Treasurer)
 - a. Hannah will bring more clarity to a few over spent or almost spent budget lines
6. **Privilege of the Floor**
 - a. Glenn Null asked the CRC to consider donating a portion of the funds in the separate CRC donation fund to scholarships for the Parks Department dance classes
 - b. Hannah to gather further clarification from Jeffery on how spending money from that fund works
7. **Neighborhood Reports** (Hannah Scott-Carter)
 - a. **Attended** - Hannah reported on recent neighborhood association meetings
 - i. Tuesday, June 18: East Goshen Neighborhood
 - ii. Sunday, July 28: Shanklin Millrace Ice Cream Social
 - iii. Saturday, August 3: College Farm Ice Cream Social
 - iv. Tuesday, August 6: Shanklin Millrace Neighborhood
 - v. Saturday, August 10: West Goshen Block Party
 - b. Upcoming
 - i. Saturday, August 17: Clover Creek
 - ii. Saturday, August 17: Historic Southside
 - iii. Saturday, August 24: Historic Racemere Peninsula
8. **Council Liaison Report (Megan Peel)**
9. **Action Items**
 - a. Indigenous People's Day Celebration Update (Casey Kasper-Welles)
 - i. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the program begins at 6:30 p.m.
 - ii. Casey is meeting with speakers, vendors, and artists to help compile the program. In the process of waiting on confirmations, programming will run from 6:30-8 p.m.
 - b. Hispanic Heritage Festival Booth (Hannah)
 - i. Hannah will confirm the details with Ana
 - ii. Time frame: 11-5
 1. 11-1: E-Man and Sharon
 2. 1-3: Lori and Kyle
 3. 3-5: Casey and Ana
 - iii. Order branded tent and small giveaway item
 - iv. Hannah will create various handouts
10. Next meeting: Tuesday, September 10
11. Adjourn
 - a. Kyle moves to adjourn, Casey seconds