

**Community Relations Commission Special Meeting  
Minutes**

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 – 6 – 7 p.m.

**In-Person** Goshen City Hall Conference Room - 202 South 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Leichty, Mayor

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

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

**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 (Cathie Cripe, Secretary)**

No changes to the agenda, approved by consent

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

August 13 – Sharon moves to approve minutes, Kyle seconds. Unanimous approval.

**5. Treasurer's Report** (E-man Monge, Treasurer)

**6. Privilege of the Floor**

- a. Kyle would like to find ways to bring neighborhood leaders together. Meetings with all neighborhood leaders/champions and city
- b. E-Man asked if there were ways to support Goshen schools

**7. Neighborhood Reports** (Hannah Scott-Carter)

- a. **Attended** - Hannah reported on recent neighborhood association meetings
  - i. Saturday, August 17: Clover Creek
  - ii. Saturday, August 17: Historic Southside
  - iii. Saturday, August 24: Historic Racemere Peninsula Upcoming
- b. Upcoming
  - i. Monday, September 16: Shanklin Millrace

**8. Council Liaison Report (Megan Peel)**

**9. Action Items**

- a. Indigenous People's Day Celebration Update (Casey Kasper-Welles)
  - i. Casey updated the CRC on planning for the event. Still trying to finalize the program
  - ii. Hannah to follow up with potential speaker
- b. Hispanic Heritage Festival Booth (Hannah)
  - i. Overview of materials provided for the festival
- c. Donation fund update
  - i. CRC decided to not move forward with Glenn Null's proposal from August but would like to explore ways to utilize this money
- d. Cathie asked to have a planning meeting in November or December

**10. Next meeting: Tuesday, October 8th**

**11. Adjourn**

- a. Sharon moves, Kyle seconds