

Pottstown Human Relations Commission

October Minutes of the General Meeting

Date: October 13, 2010

Place: Commission office on the corner of Chestnut and Washington Streets in Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Time: The meeting began at 6:30 PM

Chairperson Peaz opened the meeting. Commissioner Brooks offered the opening prayer.

Present at the meeting were Chairperson Rita Paez, Commissioners Nancy Altman, and Reggie Brooks. Excused from the meeting were Commissioners Ken Harrison and Rebecca Villegas.

Correction to the September minutes:

- St. Aloysius representative, Jacob Shully, would like the Catholic school to be included in the essay contest.
- Should be added to the minutes – Commissioner's Altman and Villegas would like to take the ride-a-long offered by the Pottstown Police Department. Commissioner Altman will have to have her background checked. Commissioner Villegas already has clearance.

Chairperson Peaz asked Commissioners Brooks and Altman to attend the Borough Council meeting to explain the needs of the commission and to confirm that the request letter was received. Commissioner Brooks declined due to another commitment that evening; Commissioner Altman agreed to attend the Borough Council meeting to present our needs for technology and security. During that time she will also confirm that members of Borough Council received the letter of request and annual report submitted two weeks ago. The Borough Council meeting will begin this evening, October 13 at 7:00 PM.

Chairperson Peaz reported 4 cases were processed in September – all were interpretation related complaints and all cases were resolved. Tabled were the discussions on the survey. She also attended the River Festival on October 9th. Although she represented her organization (CCLU), she had information on her table about the Human Relations Commission.

All agreed that the essay contest for next year should carry the theme of 'justice.' Every year there will be a different theme.

The meeting ended at 6:50 so that Commissioner Altman would be available to attend the Borough Council meeting. Secretary Hicks accompanied Commissioner Altman to lend support. The next meeting will be the second Tuesday of November – November 9, 2010, 6:30 PM at Pottstown HRC office.

Respectfully submitted: Della Hicks, MOAM

Agenda for the November 9 meeting

For the November meeting

Opening of the meeting

Roll Call

Minutes – approval or corrections to the minutes

Borough Council meeting - The budget request and report

Brochures

Essay Contest for next year

Parade for next year

Other business