

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION

### Minutes of Regular Meeting

September 13, 2015

A regular meeting of the Community Relations Commission was called to order at 3:00 pm on September 13, 2015 at Alton City Hall, 101 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Alton, Illinois.

Members Present: Greg Caffey, Cindy Lolley, Cassandra Campbell, Benjamin Golley, Chief Jake Simmons, Peter Hough, Judge Ellar Duff, Dr. Kenneth Spells

Members Absent: Jaida Moore, Megan Williams, Michael Varner

Cassandra L. Campbell opened the meeting with roll call.

#### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made by Judge Duff to accept the minutes from August 9, 2015 and seconded by Dr. Spells. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

#### REVIEW OF PROPOSED MISSION STATEMENT

Discussion was had among the Commissioners about incorporating our vision with our mission statement to define our purpose and goals. A motion was made by Chief Simmons to tie our vision and mission statement together and seconded by Judge Duff. Motioned passed 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

#### REVIEW FLYER FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY CPR CLASS

Currently we have 30 people pre-registered for the Friends and Family CPR Class. We have 11 student volunteers to help assist during the event. Mister Donut has agreed to donate donuts for participants and volunteers. The event will take place from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. We will need to access the building at 9:30 am to begin setting up. The only items needed are donations of water and 40 chairs. There is a conflicting event on the same date, the Annual Sickle Cell Walk. In the future the Commissioners agreed that we would try to make sure our events are not planned on the same date as other community events. If we generate enough interest in this event we will plan another one for the community.

#### CREATE ACCOUNT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Golley to create a bank account for the Commission to accept donations and seconded by Judge Duff. Motion passed 8 ayes 0 nays, 3 absent.

#### NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Golley invited Leah Beacoat to speak regarding her 3 Purple Coats event scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Beacoat is seeking assistance from the Commission with promoting the upcoming event. The Commissioners discussed canceling our regularly scheduled

October meeting to attend the event. A motion was made by Judge Duff to cancel the October meeting and seconded by Mr. Hough. Motioned passed 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

#### PUBLIC FORUM

Jeff Warr was invited to speak to the Commission regarding an upcoming social networking event hosted by Argosy Casino. The event is scheduled to take place at Argosy Casino on October 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30 pm. Argosy will be sending the Commission an invitation for the event. Mr. Warr also informed the Commission that Argosy Casino partners with the Alton community by way of donations and volunteering to assist with events.

With no further business, a motion was made by Chief Simmons to adjourn and seconded by Judge Duff. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassandra L. Campbell