

MINUTES FROM: Human Relations Council of the City of Valparaiso

DATE: 5/26/20

PRESENT: Voting Members: Roxanne Mendez Johnson, Hannah Hammond-Hagman, Willow Walsh, Mike Bendicsen, Patrick Lyp, Kevin Miller, John Albers, Laurie Mullet Quorum Established

Non-voting: Sam Burow-Flak

City Staff: Maggie Clifton

RECORDED BY: Laurie Mullet

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTIONS
Minutes of the April 28, 2020		The minutes were entered into the record with no corrections or changes.
Updates from the Chair	Roxanne advised all members that Sam Burow Flak had received a Collings Scholarship. This Scholarship is awarded annually in honor of a 1956 VHS graduate with a focus on Leadership. Sam shared his experience in applying and competing for the award. Sam will study Engineering.	Congratulations Sam and best wishes as you start this next chapter of your life. Thank you for your service to the HRC.

<p>Handicapped Transportation within the City</p>	<p>Kevin shared a personal story of a handicapped individual and their struggles with appropriate and affordable transportation in the area of Valparaiso that they live.</p> <p>Discussion ensued. It was determined the individual does not reside in Valparaiso City limits. Patrick explained that requirements on public transportation such as boundaries are often controlled by the funding agent such as NIRPC. Patrick offered to assist in finding a solution if the individual is comfortable in forwarding contact information to him. Kevin will follow-up.</p>	
<p>Update on HRC Members Terms</p>	<p>John reported that we will be losing two non-voting members, one is a high school student and the other from Valparaiso University.</p> <p>John also reported that the HRC ordinance that had been modified has passed through City Council.</p>	<p>If a member has any suggestions of candidates, please contact him or Mayor Murphy.</p>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>There were no members of the public in attendance.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.</p>	<p>The next meeting will be JULY 28, 2020 place to be determined pending Covid precautions.</p>

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Mullet
