

City of Reading Human Relations Commission
January 8, 2020
MINUTES

Commissioners Present:

Kathryn Cobb-Holmes, Chair
Barbara Coffin
Valerie Phelps-Robinson
Zelda Yoder

Absent

Lisa Blount
Karima (Karen) Archie
Richard Wagner
Stacey Taylor

Staff

Kimberly Talbot

Guest

None

The meeting was called to order at 6:19 p.m. The minutes were reviewed. The first line under old business of the minutes dated December 11, 2020. Commissioner Yoder moved as corrected. Commissioner Coffin seconded. Motion carried. The minutes were approved with corrections.

Executive Director's Report

The E.D. discussed being interviewed by Miles Bryan a reporter with NPR/WHYY on the state of housing in Reading, eviction rates & the population the office works to assist.

The E.D. brought a copy of the M.E.I. for the Commissioners to review. Our score improved from 77 to 91.

There was 1 fair housing case and 1 EEOC transfer.

The Executive Director report was moved by Commissioner Yoder and 2nd by Commissioner Coffin.

Old Business:

None

New Business

Commissioner Yoder reports that Reading Public Library has an event on March 6th "Cocktails & Classics" at the DoubleTree from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$75.00.

Commissioner Yoder also reports that Reading Public Library has waived late fees/fines for juveniles or teen books on overdue books for 2020.

Training and Conferences:

None scheduled at this time.

Next meeting scheduled for February 12, 2020