

# City of Pekin Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2015; 7:30am; City of Pekin Council Chambers

Attending: Roger Goodson, Danielle Owens, Lynne Johnson, Becky Saban, Adrienne Southerland, Melinda Figge, Nick Hayward, Pamela Anderson

I. Welcome and introductions

II. Approval of minutes (April 2015) B. Saban 1<sup>st</sup>, R. Goodson 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes

III. Correspondence and feedback

IV. New Business

- A. Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (Nick Hayward/Tri-county Regional Planning) Power Point presentation; HRC will review full plan for June HRC meeting

V. Old Business

- A. Signing for Everett Dirksen update – a 'draft sign' was shown; Committee asked for Hometown of to be added
- B. Come Together sign – completed and in the Community Development office
- C. Marigold Festival update – M. Figge will follow up with e-mail
- D. HRC totes update – they will be distributed to agencies/organizations that adopt a similar Equality Position Statement
- E. Bridges Out of Poverty update – workshops are tomorrow and Friday at Pekin Hospital (May 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

VI. Other business to come before the committee

A. Committee members

- 1. Stand Against Racism – great event, LE Stark students and a classroom from the Pekin YWCA childcare attended the event; Franklin Elementary students performed several wonderful songs at the Tazewell County Courthouse lawn; a sack lunch was provided to the students in the Speakeasy and then the students went to the Riverfront park to play on

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the playground

2. Poverty Simulation – more information at June meeting
  3. Diversity Festival – on/off rain at this years' event; may have affected the smaller turnout of people; inside activities were still available; next year's date has been set for 5/14/2016
  4. First Friday's Speakeasy event – M. Figge presented an opportunity to partner with the Pekin YWCA/Pekin Coalition for Equality to promote the arts and sponsor the First Friday event at the Pekin Speakeasy – July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015; Grey DePaul (artist) and Preston Jackson (performer); L. Johnson 1<sup>st</sup>, B. Saban 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes
- B. Committee advisory members  
C. City staff

VIII. Adjournment – next meeting date June 24, 2015

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