PROPOSED MINUTES BY GREENVI LLE HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL August 7, 2013

The Greenville Human Relations Council (GHRC) met Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the third floor conference room (Room 337) of City Hall. Members present denoted by *, members absent denoted by x.

Enji Abdo-x Loyd Horton-x Shaterica Lee-* Helen Pase-x Bonnie Snyder-x

Marvin Arrington-* Robert Hudak -* Prudencio Martinez-Mengel-* Franchine Pena-* Maurice Whitehurst-x Rodney Coles-* Byung Lee-* Terry Parrish-* Heena Shah-x

Rose Glover, Mayor Pro-Tem-x Cassandra Daniels, Staff Liaison-*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Hudak shared information from an article that was published in the HNP Today Newsletter by Paul Williams, Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Wilmington, Delaware. The article was written in response to actions of Treyvon Martin and George Zimmerman and the recent act of violence experienced by Paul Williams. **Bob Hudak** stated it has become visible to many of us that we have not come close to where we need to be with resolving human relations. He further stated he has been involved in Anti-Racism Training "Seeing the Face of God in Each Other" which deals with the positive visions....it's about transformation.

Terry Parrish stated the Institute for Dismantling Racism, in Winston-Salem, deals with institutional or systemic issues and offer workshops throughout the year. This could be a way for the Council to do something in conjunction with IDR, such as a conversation or town hall meeting.

Rodney Coles, Sr., President/CEO of Church Outreach Network announced the following food distributions:

- Thursday, August 22nd at 11:30 am at St. Paul Church, located at 3251 E. Tenth Street, and
- Saturday, August 24th at 10:00 am at 713 Albemarle Avenue.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Franchine Pena, seconded by Terry Parrish, to approve the June 2013 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Photo Contest

Prudencio Martinez-Mengel reported that the subcommittee had met with Steve Hawley regarding the Council submitting pictures around the City's new branding "We Are More Than You Think". The Council can help promote by submitting pictures showing Greenville is the place where people would want to live, work and play. Because branding is based on what already exists in the community, the pictures could be used to describe what Greenville has to offer.

NEW BUSINESS

National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month

Cassandra Daniels stated the Community Forum is scheduled for Thursday, September 19th at 6:30pm. The event will take place in the Council Chambers, located on the third floor of City Hall. The 1M/5K Roll – Walk- Run has been postponed until sometime (March 2014) next year.

Inclusive Community Breakfast

Cassandra Daniels stated the breakfast is scheduled at the Hilton on Thursday, September 26 at 7:30 am. The subcommittee suggest that we create a theme that will collaborate with the City's Inclusive Community Initiative: Celebrating Our Journey to Build an Inclusive Community". The categories for the event are: How We Look, Where We Work, What We Believe (religion), How We Sound, Who We Love, Where We Play and Where We Live. In order for this presentation to be successful, we need lots of PICTURES.

Terry Parrish stated the subcommittee would like to have pledge cards that would encourage people to get involved in the community and to help build an Inclusive Community.

This year's presentation is being put together by the subcommittee and Patrick House, GIS Planner for the City of Greenville.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Franchine Philpot Pena, seconded by Prudencio Martinez-Mengel, to adjourn until the first Wednesday night in August. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra Daniels

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