

MINUTES
JUNEAU HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA
JANUARY 3, 2023

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm
 - a. Present: Emily Mesch, Haifa Foroughi, Lance Mitchell, Mary Wegner, and Paula Drake
 - b. Absent: None
 - c. Support: None
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved by consensus.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes were approved by consensus.
 - a. Minutes of the December 20, 2022 Meeting
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: No public were present.

V. AGENDA

- a. Celebrating Black History Month 2023: Lance wrote a short play for us to review that can be performed live during our Black History Month Celebration 2023. We provided some feedback to Lance, and members are welcome to send additional feedback to him by email. The play was written to be performed in 15 minutes.

Lance and Emily will cast the play and get it ready for the performance. We will hold one event instead of multiple events. Lance and Emily will select a movie in keeping with the nature of the event. The minimum cost will be \$150 to rent the Gold Town Nickelodeon theatre. Emily, as our Treasurer, will submit a request form to CBJ for the cost of the theatre rental and any cost to show a movie.

Haifa suggested that we have an MC for the evening, and Lance and Emily will make final plans for an MC, which may be Lance unless they come up another candidate. The event will be held at the end of February with the actual date TBD.

Regarding advertising, we discussed reaching out to the radio stations, the Juneau Black Awareness Association, put up flyers, and use CBJ communication channels, which includes CBJ Facebook. Advertising will start in early February. Haifa will connect with the radio stations to schedule interviews. Lance, and Emily or Paula will be on the radio. Mary will submit our event on the JAHG calendar and let Di know for CBJ communication purposes, and she will make a poster to advertise for the event. Lance's play is still untitled at this point in time.

- b. Community Engagement Plan Finances: Haifa spoke with Di, who has followed up with the Law Department regarding our Community Engagement planning payments. We are still waiting to hear back from the CBJ Law Department.

- c. Town Hall Planning: Haifa will reach out to Aidan Key to see when we might be able to schedule a Transgender Town Hall.
- d. Strategic Plan 2022-23: Tabled until newest Commission member is seated.
- e. Support Ukrainian Refugees Through a Fundraising Dance Performance: Tabled until after Black History Month.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT: No public were present.

VII. UPCOMING MEETING DATES

- a. January 17, 2023 at 5:00 pm
- b. February 7, 2023 at 5:00 pm
- c. February 21, 2023 at 5:00 pm

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.