

HUMAN RIGHTS & RELATIONS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2010

Parks & Recreation Conference Room, 7:00pm

Present: Graziella Zinn, Steve Wilson, Dorna Stover, and Wanda Harris & Lou Dilella.

Absent: Abdul Majid Hasan, Marcia Smith Glasper and Debbie James.

A Moment of Silence was held to remember all those who have gone before us and for those who are suffering around the world.

Chairperson Zinn welcomed a quorum and discussed a letter of resignation from Commissioner Glasper.

OLD BUSINESS

The website (www.hamden.com) is still unchanged and the HRRC page remains untouched.

NEW BUSINESS

The International Day of Peace candlelight Vigil will be held on September 20, 2010 at the Freedom Park and Fountain at 7:70PM. The Park is at the corner of Dowell and Whitney Avenue. Several Commissioners volunteered to read quotations from noted individuals. The Commission will reach out to other groups for the inclusion.

The possibility of a panel discussion on Diversity in the Town of Hamden is being explored. Contact will be made to the heads of Civil Service, Police, Human Services and Fire Commissions to ascertain their level of interest. Commissioner Wilson will be the contact person.

The subject of the ordinance that created this commission was discussed. Former Mayor Carl Amento came and spoke concerning the lack of power and influence of the commission has at this time and the original ordinance. Commissioner Zinn will seek a response from Mayor Jackson as to his level of interest and opinion of the direction that the commission should follow. It was suggested that contact should be made with a member of the Legislative Council in order to establish a relationship.

October 10th meeting will be canceled and a Special Meeting will be held October 19, 2010, same place, same time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Sallie Lowry, Clerk
September 16, 2010