



**City of Moorhead  
Human Rights Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2019 at 5:00 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Human Rights Commission was held in the City Hall Council Chambers on February 20, 2019, at 5:00 PM.

**1. Call to order** The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

**2. Roll call**

Roll Call of the members was made as follows:

Board Member:	Nate Aalgaard	Present
Board Member:	Cani Adan	Absent
3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward Council Member:	Deb White	Present
Board Member:	Shinwar Mayi	Joined at 5:14
Board Member:	Makell Pauling Normandin	Present
Board Member:	Willard Yellow Bird	Absent

**3. Approval of Agenda/Minutes**

Agenda (with correction to start time) and minutes were approved with a motion made by Nate Aalgaard, seconded by Deb White and passed by unanimous consent.

**4. Citizens to be heard**

No citizens were present.

**5. Annual Nominations & Election of Officers**

Commissioners discussed nominations. Motion was made by Nate Aalgaard to elect MaKell Pauling Normandin as Chair and Willard Yellow Bird as Vice Chair, seconded by Shinwar Mayi and passed by unanimous consent.

**6. Consider/Approve 2018 Annual Report**

Discussion on annual report. Motion to submit annual report to the City Council was made by Debt White, seconded by Shinwar Mayi and passed by unanimous consent.

## **7. Consider/Finalize Annual Plan**

Commissioner requested that City staff distribute a survey used in 2018 to all commissioners in order to compile list of priorities to inform annual plan. Commissioners also requested that City staff contact the Welcome Week Committee and invite a representative to the next Human Rights Commission meeting on March 20, 2019.

## **8. New business**

### **A. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing**

#### **i. Discuss/Approve HRC Statement – Report of discrimination**

Commission discussed a recent example of alleged housing discrimination. Discussed opportunities to address housing discrimination in Moorhead.

Deb White made a motion to request that the City Council direct City staff to draft a letter to the landlord in alleged housing discrimination example that reiterates Moorhead commitment to being an inclusive community. Motion was seconded by Shinwar Mayi and passed unanimously.

Deb White made a motion to recommend to the City Council that City staff review the City's landlord training curriculum to be sure it includes training and resources regarding Fair Housing. Motion was seconded by Nate Aalgaard and passed unanimously.

Deb White made a motion to approve distribution of HRC statement regarding housing discrimination. Motion was seconded by Nate Aalgaard and passed unanimously.

## **9. Member reports/Announcements**

None

## **10. Upcoming events**

Winter Pride events are this week  
Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County event – Remember African Americans in the Midwest on February 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Deb White is facilitating a leadership program for women

## **11. Adjourn**

Deb White made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Nate Aalgaard, passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Joshua Huffman, HRC Staff Liaison

The proceedings of this meeting are digitally recorded and are available for public review.