

## **SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**

### **Agenda**

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

9:00 am

The Barry Robinson Center

443 Kempsville Road, Norfolk VA 23502

Zoom: <https://virginia-gov.zoomgov.com/j/16037202606>

Meeting ID: 160 3720 2606

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Corie Reed; Advocate 1.804.454.5064

### **DRAFT MINUTES**

#### **Roll call/Attendance**

##### **LHRC Member Attendance**

Dick Roberts-Chair

Mark Douglass- Co Chair

Stacy Johnson-Secretary; Absent

Sandy Gerhardt- Member

Patricia Albritton, Member

#### **Office of Human Rights**

Latoya Wilborne- Regional Manager

Corie Reed- Human Rights Advocate

Jen Anglin- Human Rights Advocate, via Zoom

Miracle Reed Thompson-Human Rights Advocate, via Zoom

#### **Providers**

Melanie Joyner- Holiday House, via Zoom

Chantel Taylor - Barry Robinson Center

Kristina Nelson-Middle Peninsula Northern Neck CSB

#### **Other Present**

Amanda Freeman

Ciarra Freeman

#### **Call to Order**

Mr. Dick Roberts - Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:06am. Those in attendance made introductions to include their name and title. Chair welcomes all attendees.

#### **Approval of Agenda:**

Ms. Gerhart motioned for accepting the agenda, Mrs. Albritton seconded.

#### **Review and Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the March 15, 2023 minutes was made by Ms. Albritton and seconded by Mrs. Gerhardt

### **Public Comments**

NONE

### **Chairperson Announcements**

Mr. Roberts thanked all the committee members and providers for being present. Mr. Roberts also praised their flexibility and willingness to attend the LHRC meeting.

### **Advocate Report/ Regional Manager Updates**

Regional Manager informed members and provider of the upcoming SHRC being held at The Barry Robinson Center on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Members and providers were invited to attend.

Advocate Reed also thanked the members for their flexibility and willingness to attend the meeting. Advocate reminded all members to please inform her or the assigned advocate as soon as possible if they are not able to attend any of the planned meetings. Advocate explained that earlier the notice, the easier it is to make appropriate accommodations and changes to avoid make up or cancellations.

Advocate Reed reminded all members of the agreed dates for the upcoming meetings; September 20 and December 13<sup>th</sup> of 2023 and are planned to be held at The Barry Robinson Center.

### **Old Business-**

- i. Holiday House  
Mrs. Joyner provided quarterly updates for the Holiday House variance which include phone calls and visitation. Mrs. Joyner requested that the current variances be renewed for the next three years. Mrs. Joyner reported there have not been any complaints or concerns as it pertains the current variances.
- ii. The James Barry Robinson Center  
Ms. Childs provided updates regarding the variance and their facilities request for three-year variance renewal for the visitation and phone restrictions. Mrs. Delk reported that there have not been any complaints or concerns regarding the variances that are in place.

The LHRC members have recommended that Holiday House, The Barry Robinson Center and Virginia Beach Human Services variance renewal be accepted and be reviewed by the SHRC.

### **New Business**

- a. Removal of Virginia Beach Human Services for Review of Variances

Regional Manager shared and reminded members that Virginia Beach Human Services is no longer seeking variance approval due to the program no longer being in service.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

**Motion was made by Mr. Douglass and seconded by Mrs. Sandy Gerhardt at 9:24 am that Southeast Regional LHRC will go into closed session pursuant to VA code 2.2-3711(A) for the purpose of discussing confidential information lawfully exempt from public disclosure, to discuss and complete a Next of Friend Request.**

### **OPEN SESSION**

**The committee reconvene in open session at 9:30a by unanimous vote on a motion by Mr. Mark Douglass and seconded by Mrs. Sandy Gerhardt. Each member certified that, to the best of each of their knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from the statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session, namely for the purposes of discussing a Next of Friend request.**

Recommendation: Motion by Mr. Dick Roberts, and second by Mrs. Albritton and unanimously approved by the committee members as follows:

- To approve the Next of Friend approval will be sent and presented to Middle Peninsula Northern Neck CSB

### **Meeting Adjourned**

The next meeting scheduled is for Wednesday, **September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 12pm.** The location will be at The Barry Robinson Center, 443 Kempsville Road, Norfolk VA. Hearing no business, Mr. Dick Roberts adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.