

City of Gloucester
Human Rights Subcommittee Meeting
Meeting of Feb. 11. 2021

Members present: Councilor Holmgren, Sarah Peck, Nicole Richon-Schoel, Jen Beloff

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Holmgren at 3pm via zoom. The city's statement of requirements for remote meeting was read.

Agenda

1. Call to Order: Introduction of all members of the commission present and all of the panelists by name.
2. Discussion of intake process for community members to bring human rights violations to GHRC.
3. Discussion of questions for intake form, protocol/steps to assist persons in the city who believe that their human rights have been violated
4. Steps for Implementation
5. Adjournment

Discussion:

Identified subcommittee member roles.

Motion made by Jen Beloff, seconded by Nicole Richon-Schoel nominating Sarah Peck as subcommittee Chair. All in favor.

Motion made by Jen Beloff, seconded by Sarah Peck nominating Nicole Richon-Schoel as subcommittee Vice Chair. All in favor.

Motion made by Nicole Richon- Schoel, seconded by Sarah Peck nominating Jen Beloff as subcommittee Secretary. All in favor.

Reviewed intake forms from other communities in Massachusetts (Arlington and Cambridge) as starting point. The committee is working to identify a way that community members can use a form to submit requesting assistance if they believe their human rights have been violated.

Sarah will create a draft intake form for review with the full committee. Further discussion is needed with full committee to identify parameters, jurisdiction and confidentiality issues. Sub committee would like to seek input from the city's legal counsel.

Next subcommittee meeting March 11, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Sarah Peck made a motion to adjourn meeting at 3:40 p.m. Jen Beloff seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Beloff

Secretary