

**MEETING OF THE MONROE COUNTY
HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at 5:00 PM
Assessor's Meeting Room

1. Roll Call and Call to Order
 - a. With a Quorum Present the meeting was called to order.
 - b. Members present were: Sharon Ackerman, Byron Bangert, Birk Billingsley, Doris Parlette, and Kathleen Sideli.
2. Minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. Old Business
 - a. The Commission reviewed and discussed the Health Department's restaurant list, which showed less than 40 restaurants listed within the County and even fewer if Ellettsville restaurants were excluded. Byron gave a summary of the City's efforts and an explanation of the goal of their program. The Commission discussed whether their efforts would help promote or would dilute the efforts made by the City. The Commission thought it may be better to wait until the 2017 to decide whether or not to participate in a program similar to the City, so they could determine the effectiveness of the City's campaign. The Commission asked Byron to ask the City if they could use the same logo, should the County wish to participate.
 - b. The County looked at the draft version of Monroe County Code 520 and found an error in section 12. They asked that the list of protected categories be corrected, so that the updated code could be put on the Commissioners' agenda for approval on October 14, 2016.
 - c. The Commission briefly discussed the possibility of donating more than \$250 to the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration IF more were available from the Commissioners' line by the end of the year AND if the Commissioners were willing. The money will need to be sent to the City by December. Margie Rice agreed to keep an eye on that and discuss it with the Commissioners.

4. New Business

The Commission asked if any new complaints had been filed and was informed that no complaints had been received so far in 2016.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.