Arkansas City Equal Opportunity and Accessibility Advisory Board

2/10/2022 Minutes

A regular meeting was held Thursday, February 10, 2022, at the Water Treatment Facility. Meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m.

I. Roll Call:	Board Members		<u>Staff Liaisons</u>	
	Bob Baker	\boxtimes	Mike Bellis	
	JoAnn Bierle	\boxtimes	Randy Frazer	
	James Fry	\boxtimes	Andrew Lawson	\boxtimes
	Anita Judd-Jenkins	\boxtimes	Marla McFarland	
	Tammy Lanman-Henderson	\boxtimes	Larry Schwartz	
	Frances "Rags" Smith		Josh White (via GoToMeeting)	\boxtimes

II. Consent Agenda:

Anita made a motion to approve the minutes of the **January 13, 2022**, regular meeting as written. James seconded the motion, which was approved **4-0** on a voice vote. (Bob later joined the meeting in progress at **4:22 p.m.**)

III. Committee Updates:

The next regular 2022 Tacolalah Executive Committee meeting is at **noon February 17** at the Water Treatment Facility.

Andrew said he would like the Board to designate one or two members to serve as representative(s) to the Cowley County

IV. Old Business:

Council on Aging, to replace Mike Crandall and Larry Gilmore. Rags was nominated, but not ready to commit to joining. Tammy said she would be possibly interested in joining. She plans to attend the Council's February meeting to learn more. James has volunteered his ACES students to assist the City with the sidewalk survey project as part of a spring class project. A kickoff and training event is planned for them at 9 a.m. February 19 at the Water Treatment Facility, 400 W. Madison. Tammy relayed her conversation with Carina, who no longer wants to work on any heritage recognition events for 2022. The board hopes she will make progress recruiting volunteers and planning for more committee-run events starting in 2023. Andrew said Robin Henderson is requesting help from volunteers for her Juneteenth 2022 event, to serve on a committee that will work to recruit sponsors, vendors, and volunteers from now until the event occurs on June 18 in Lovie Watson Park.

V. New Business:

Andrew reviewed the **local government recommendations on racial equity and justice** from the Governor's Commission on Racial Equity and Justice. Most apply to police departments, municipal courts or other organizations, but still are useful!

VI. Reports:

Andrew conveyed a report from Mike about the new ADA parking stalls at the police department and public library. The "police parking only" sign at ACPD will be taken down once each individual space is marked with "police parking only".

VII. Other Miscellaneous Items:

Andrew reminded the Board of the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month proclamation on **March 1**. Anita made a motion to adjourn the meeting. James seconded the motion, which was approved **5-0** on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at **5:22 p.m.** The next meeting of the Equal Opportunity and Accessibility Advisory Board is at **4 p.m. March 10, 2022**.