

DULUTH AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, November 19, 2012 – 5:15 p.m.

Room 303, 3rd Floor City Hall

MEETING SUMMARY

Present: ** Ricky DeFoe, Terry Goodsky, Terry Smith, Ron Hagland, Carol DeVerney and Babette Sandman

Absent: ** Tina Olson

Staff: Char McLennan, Suzanne Kelley

1. Call to Order: 5:26 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda: Terry Goodsky made the motion to approve the meeting summary, and Terry Smith seconded the motion approved by all.

3. Guest Presentations:

A. Peace Church – Dismantling Racism Team Lynn Clark-Peg / Chair Maggie from Peace Church said they would like to work with the DAIC to facilitate an event to help educate people about racism. They mentioned that there may be grant opportunities. DAIC Members expressed interest in this collaboration, Babette, Ricky, Carol, and Terry Smith scheduled a meeting with them on Thursday December 6, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at Peach Church.

B. Terry Smith changed the agenda to allow Lt. Wright provide an update. She said that there were 12 new officers in training and that the Police Force is working to increase their diversity.

4. Action Items:

A. Legacy Grant Update- The \$7,000 grant was awarded. Gabe will be the working on the Grant. Chuck Froseth, the Land Use Supervisor will be the Staff contact for the grant.

B. Work Plan – The 2012 Work Plan was handed out to the members. This item will be reviewed at December’s meeting.

C. Committee of the Whole – Various topics were discussed. A draft list was prepared to be submitted for an agenda.

- a. Discuss possible joint ventures to increase the native presence in the Duluth community.
- b. Explain the sovereign status of Native Americans.
- c. Explain the importance of Sprit Mountain to the Native Community.

- D. CDBG/HOME/ESG funding Recommendations- Staff provided an overview of the program funding process. The Public Hearing will be on December 4, 2012 at 6 pm.

5. Public Comment / Discussion Items

Ron Hagland presented a draft resolution stating the Mayor of the City of Duluth and the Duluth City Council membership actively support and lobby for the continuance of the current level of Rule 3535 funding by the Minnesota Legislature through the Minnesota Department of Education for integration and student achievement efforts in Duluth.

Terry Smith made the motion to support the Resolution, Carol DeVerney seconded the motion. Motion passed (6 to 0).

The draft resolution referred to the Committee as the Duluth Indian Affairs Commission.

Terry Smith made a motion to have the Committee named corrected to Duluth American Indian Commission and have the revised resolution emailed to staff. Terry Goodsky seconded the motion. Motion passed (6 to 0).

6. Old Business: tabled to next meeting.

7. Announcements: none

8. Next Meeting: December 17, 2012 at 5:15 pm in room 303, City Hall.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Motion to Adjourn by Terry Smith – 2nd by Terry Goodsky.