

**Minutes – Approved**  
**Quarterly Ironwood Human Relations and Equity Committee**  
**Tuesday, May 13, 2025**

**Location: Ironwood Memorial Building**  
**Women’s Room**  
**213 S Marquette Street**  
**Ironwood, MI 49938**

**Working Meeting**  
**6:00pm**

**Call to Order: 6:00pm CT**

**Attendance: Erickson, Patel, Carroll**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

**Motion Patel,**  
**Carroll second;**  
**All in favor - motion passed**

**Approval of Previous Minutes (*Review and place on file*): April 14, 2025**

**Motion to approve - Patel**  
**2nd - Carroll**  
**All in favor - motion passed**

**Public Input: n/a**

**Items for Discussion and Action:**

Planning for Native American History Month

- HIT working on getting a Native American band for November
- HREC will work on movie for November
- Scavenger Hunt – will happen
- Need to work on contacts for Native American events and people of significance for posters

Planning for First Listening Session, May 15 – need to move May date to ~June 19th

- Feedback for HREC Survey
- Next dates: Aug 14 and Nov 13
- June topic, Inclusion in our Community
- Aug topic: What groups do we want to celebrate?
- Nov topic: TBD

### Finalize Budget Request for HREC

- \$1250? TBD by next meeting – based on further information about movie costs, and printing costs

### Approval of Pride Proclamation for City Council

Motion to recommend to City Council at their May 27th meeting - Patel

2nd - Carrol

All in favor - motion passed

### Other Items:

A document that details how to proclaim Ironwood as an LGBTQ+ sanctuary city was brought to the committee. We looked it over, and determined that it should be on our next agenda for June 4th.

### Motion to adjourn - Patel

2nd - Carroll

All in favor - motion passed at 7:15pm

### Items to keep on the radar:

- Discussion of Public Comments from July 23
- Community Engagement Ideas
- Projects to undertake for 2025
- Spark Plans for Projects / Rename overall Spark Plan
- Discussion of Survey
- Should Dida Protest Flier be redistributed to businesses
- Look into nominations for employee recognition – work with City and Department heads.
- Immigration and City stance

### Things to do:

- Patel contact Bad River about use of their documentary
- ~~Patel will finalize donation letter for businesses for NAHM~~
- ~~HREC will review solicitation letter to businesses for NAHM~~
- Erickson will contact tribes about events and people of significance
- ~~Patel will F/U with theatre about Native American band and movie in Nov~~
- ~~All will review the proclamation document for the June meeting~~
- ~~Erickson will send an email inviting the person presenting the document to the June 4 meeting~~
- ~~Erickson will prep and send Pride Proclamation to City Commission~~
- ~~Erickson will talk to Paul Linn about a budget line item for HREC~~