

## Human Rights Commission Rules Committee Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2024

1. Call to Order

Doug Newton called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM.

2. Roll Call

Doug Newton called the roll. Present via zoom were Lisa LaPlante, Elizabeth Brusie, and Corey Barr.

3. Acceptance of Minutes

Elizabeth Brusie will send her meeting minutes to Doug Newton so that he can distribute them for the Commission's approval.

4. Discussion

Discussion began as to the rules of the Human Rights Commission. Corey Barr shared her screen to display the work that she has been doing on her section of the rules. A number of topics were discussed such as rules that are already covered by other rules and laws, a code of conduct for the Human Rights Commission, an option for residents to file incident reports, as well as the action plan that is prescribed by the Human Rights Commission ordinance.

Also discussed were the terms and election of co-chairs and other officers. There was also discussion on code of conduct for public comment without infringing on free speech or the recent Barron v. Kolenda decision in the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court.

5. Public Comment

No members of the public offered public comment.

6. Adjournment

Lisa LaPlante made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Elizabeth Brusie. The subcommittee voted three to zero to approve the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 3:19 PM.