MINUTES

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Date | time Thursday Sept 16, 2021 | Meeting called to order by Ritu Goel at 7:05 pm

Roll Call

Members Present: Ritu Goel, Anitha Elango, Beena Pandit, Karell Rose, Christy Shaher, Carolyn Carey, **Absent:** Linda Jeski, Stephanie Weintraub

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from August 2021 meeting were approved.

Agenda

- Public Input
- o None

Chairperson's report: International Day of Peace went well. There are two locations and the event had two components. One was on the last day of the farmers market, on Sept 11th when we handed out planting kits and reflections on peace for 10 days. The 2nd takes place on Sept 21st when we will gather around the peace pole in front of the town library. Mayor Andrew Paterna will be attending along with some children who will talk about what peace means to them. A representative from the Youth and Family services will also be present.

• International Peace Day

(Sept 21st) people will reflect on peace around the peace pole located between Wapping church and the town library. If it's sunset, then we could also light peace candles or lanterns during the celebration.

- Update on Indigenous people's day
- We are celebrating indigenous People's Day on Oct 11th at the Nowashe Village run by the Friends of the Wood Memorial Library on Main St.

There are two indigenous artists who will be present at Nowashe Village on Indigenous day. Liz Pendleton will also be there. Some journalists have also been invited to cover the event. We (the HRC) will be present and have a poster made by Christy with information on the events conducted by the HRC so that people are aware of what the HRC does in the community.

Motion to Adjourn

• A motion to adjourn was made at 8:13, seconded by Beena and was passed unanimously.