



**MINUTES OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
HJEMKOMST CENTER AUDITORIUM - 202 1ST AVE N.
May 20, 2026 - 5:00 PM**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present (5): Evett Ellis, AnnaPoorna Rajesh, Jennifer Aranda, Trenton Gerads, Sebastian McDougall

Present Not Voting (0):

Absent (2): Siham Amedy, Jenifer Cannon

2. Land Acknowledgement

We, the Moorhead Human Rights Commission, collectively and with gratitude, acknowledge the sacred land the City of Moorhead is built upon. We acknowledge the people who have resided here for generations and recognize that the spirit of the Dakota, Ojibwe, Metis and all Indigenous Communities permeates this land. The contribution of the Indigenous people shall not be forgotten nor will the success that is achieved by the People of the land. We will continue to educate, advocate, honor and unite for Indigenous people of this land.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. April 15, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present (5): Evett Ellis, AnnaPoorna Rajesh, Jennifer Aranda, Trenton Gerads, Sebastian McDougall

Present Not Voting (0):

Absent (2): Siham Amedy, Jenifer Cannon

4. Guest Speaker

A. Justice North - Crystal Jamerson, Community Outreach & Partnerships Lead.

Crystal Jamerson presented how Justice North assists low to moderate income individuals from all backgrounds. Provided information on their upcoming community huddle, to find out more you can view her presentation on the city of Moorhead YouTube channel, [City of Moorhead - Human Rights Commission Meeting May 20, 2026 - YouTube](#).

B. Callan Myers and Troy Jackson - Juneteenth Events

Human Rights Commission Chair, Evett Ellis presented on Juneteen events as Troy Jackson was unable to attend. To find out more on the event presented visit the youtube channel, [City of Moorhead - Human Rights Commission Meeting May 20, 2026 - YouTube](#)

5. Community Partners

6. Citizens To Be Heard

7. Regular Business

8. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Education and Outreach

- B. Events

- C. Awards

9. Reports/Announcements/Upcoming Events

10. New Business

- A. Destiny Holiday Award Nominations Discussion

The commission reported having this topic further discussed at the Human Rights workshop that will be held on June 2.

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:04pm