



Our Vision

Red Wing thrives as a vibrant, creative river town that values its natural environment, welcomes all people, and unlocks opportunity for everyone.

Our Mission

We strive to create a sustainable, healthy, accessible, resilient, and equitable community where every person feels at home.

Meeting Announcement and Agenda Human Rights Commission Regular Meeting City Council Chambers, 315 West 4th Street, Red Wing, MN & Virtually Thursday, July 23, 2026, at 6:00 PM

This meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers and virtually via Webex at the same time. Members of the public can join this meeting either in person at City Hall or virtually. [Join the meeting via Webex](#) and type in the password 2026. To join via telephone, please dial (415) 655-0001. Enter access code 2556 909 5784 and password 2026 when prompted.

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. HRC Mission Statement

Acknowledging the universal concept of human rights, the mission of the Red Wing Human Rights Commission is to ensure all residents of Red Wing may participate equally and fully in the human experience. The city will work to extend these rights to economic opportunities, safe and affordable housing, and quality education at all levels to provide a safe, supportive community environment. This involves actively working to assure all city policies and practices do not discriminate on any basis, including immigration or refugee status.

4. Roll Call

5. Approval of Agenda

6. Approval of Minutes

6.A. One Motion to Approve March 23, 2026, April 23, 2026, May 28, 2026, and June 25, 2026, Minutes.

7. Public Comment

We now invite anyone to share their thoughts on a topic that is not on the agenda. We welcome all opinions and ideas. We appreciate you stating your name at the lectern, and please remember that personal attacks may be ruled out of order. You will have up to three minutes to comment, and we appreciate your time in coming tonight.

8. Motions & General Business

8.A. Motion to Approve up to \$250.00 for Items Needed for the Amos Owen Award Ceremony.

- 8.B. Motion to Approve Opening the Amos Owen Award Nomination Process Starting July 31, 2026, and Closing August 31, 2026.
- 8.C. Motion to Change October 22, 2026, Human Rights Commission Workshop to a Special Meeting to Present the Amos Owen Award.
- 8.D. Motion to Approve the Amos Owen Award Flyer for 2026.

9. Communication Items

- 9.A. Human Rights Resource Connection Up-date and Distribution of Flyers.
- 9.B. Finance Report
- 9.C. Commissioner Comments
- 9.D. What's Happening in the Community

10. Adjournment

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**Red Wing Human Rights Commission
Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers
May 28, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Beth Breeden; Commissioner Bobbie Christen

Members Absent: Addyson Carpenter (Excused Absence), Gabrielle Magill (Excused Absence)

Others Present: Cara Kvanbek, Staff Liaison

1. Call to Order

Chair Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Breeden led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. HRC Mission Statement

Commissioner Christen read the HRC Mission Statement.

4. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted. Chair Beth Breeden and Commissioner Bobbie Christen were in attendance.

Commissioners Addyson Carpenter and Gabrielle Magill were excused absences.

5. Approval of Agenda

Chair Breeden asked to table the Approval of the agenda until the meeting on July 23, 2026.

6. Approval of Minutes

A. One Motion to Approve March 26 and April 23, 2026 Minutes.

Chair Breeden asked to table the Approval of the March 26 and April 23, 2026 minutes until the meeting on July 23, 2026.

7. Presentations

A. Mr. Atreyu Moore will Speak about Red Wing High School's Black Student Union, and Their Involvement in the Upcoming Juneteenth Celebration on June 19, 2026.

Atreyu Moore introduced Red Wing High School's Black Student Union President Amarie Williams.

Red Wing High School Black Student Union President Williams spoke about the upcoming Juneteenth celebration, highlighting its significance, the planning efforts behind the event, and what attendees can expect.

Atreyu Moore encouraged community members to attend and show their support. Moore noted that proceeds generated during the event will remain within the celebration.

B. Mr. Patrick Langbein, Events and Communications Manager with RiseUP to Talk about the Juneteenth Celebration on June 19, 2026, and PRIDE Event held on June 20, 2026.

Events and Communications Manager Langbein recognized RiseUp's support of both the Juneteenth and PRIDE celebrations. He noted that both events are free to the public.

Red Wing PRIDE Committee member Buysse shared the history and growth of Pride celebrations in the community.

Red Wing PRIDE Committee member Katie Nolan provided an overview of this year's PRIDE event.

C. Commissioner Bobbi Christen a Brief History of Memorial Day, and Events that Honor Our Fallen Service Men and Women.

Commissioner Christen discussed Red Wing Memorial Day events and the history of Memorial Day.

8. Public Comment

Chair Breeden reviewed the public comment procedure.

No one wished to address the Commission.

9. Motions & General Business

A. Sexual Assault Awareness & Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation.

Chair Breeden read the Proclamation.

10. Communication Items

A. Finance Report.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated that there is \$2,500 in the Human Rights Commission budget.

B. Human Rights Resources Connection Update.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek noted that there have been no calls or emails in 2026. She commented that the Human Rights Resources Connection information will be included with the July utility billing.

C. Commissioner Comments and What is Happening in the Community.

Commissioner Christen encouraged residents to check out Red Wing businesses that are staying open later on Thursday evenings.

Chair Breeden discussed housing concerns and encouraged residents to attend

City Council and Planning Commission meetings. She also highlighted upcoming library events, museum events, Sheldon Theater events, safety helmet coupons, and elections.

11. Adjournment

Chair Breeden adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

**Human Rights Commission Workshop
Community Development Building, 419 Bush Street, Red Wing, MN
April 23, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Beth Breeden; Commissioners Gabrielle Magill, Bobbie Christen, Joe Bigalke

Members Absent: Addyson Carpenter (Excused Absence)

Others Present: Cara Kvanbek, Staff Liaison

1. Roll Call

Chair Beth Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Workshop Items

A. Discussion About Presenting at an HRC Meeting.

Chair Breeden provided background on the item and asked for thoughts from Commissioners.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated the Commission is tasked with discussing what a presentation should look like at future Human Rights Commission (HRC) meetings.

Commissioner Magill expressed her presenter expectations. Commissioner Magill asked that presenters be informed about how giving money works before coming. Staff Liaison Kvanbek noted the rules related to giving.

Chair Breeden discussed alternative funding options.

Commissioner Christen discussed ideas for future tabling events. Staff Liaison Kvanbek reminded Commissioners of tabling goals.

Commissioner Magill highlighted that every idea needs to connect to both the HRC and the community.

Chair Breeden noted that videos have needed pre-approval in the past.

Commissioner Christen summarized what the Commission decided pertaining to presenters.

Chair Breeden noted that it is important for presentations to be community-related.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated that presenters should be in person. There was a Commission consensus.

B. Who to Ask to Present at Future Meetings.

Chair Breeden asked for Commissioner input on the item and noted PRIDE is

quickly approaching. Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated she has reached out to a PRIDE contact. Commissioner Magill stated she also has a contact if needed.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek suggested discussing the Senior Center. Chair Breeden discussed the Senior Centers' past presentations.

Chair Breeden noted the Commission can have more than one presenter each month.

Commissioner Magill suggested having the new indoor playground owner speak. Commissioner Bigalke noted he has her contact information and will reach out.

Commissioner Magill suggested having the principals come speak regarding bussing and bullying.

Chair Breeden discussed choosing projects with Commissioner Bigalke.

Chair Breeden asked Staff Liaison Kvanbek about the process for presenters. Staff Liaison Kvanbek discussed the process for inviting presenters and the process once requests are brought to staff.

Chair Breeden reviewed upcoming events and asked Commissioners for updates.

Commissioner Christen discussed Holocaust Remembrance Day ideas.

Commissioner Magill stated she will help with PRIDE and invite her mom to speak about Pier 55.

Chair Breeden discussed composing a letter to the editor. Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated she will ask the City about the related approval process.

Commissioner Christen noted that the Commission could find presenters while tabling.

Chair Breeden asked if the Commissioners wanted to break out in groups to further discuss events. Commissioner Magill suggested waiting till all Commissioners were in attendance.

Chair Breeden opened public comment and reviewed the rules and procedures.

Chair Breeden closed public comment.

3. Adjournment

Chair Beth Breeden adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

**Red Wing Human Rights Commission
Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers
March 26, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Beth Breeden; Commissioners Bobbie Christen and Addyson Carpenter

Members Absent: Commissioners Joe Bigalke and Gabrielle Magill

Others Present: Cara Kvanbek, Staff Liaison

1. Call to Order

Chair Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Breeden led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. HRC Mission Statement

All Commissioners read the HRC Mission Statement.

4. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted. Chair Beth Breeden; Commissioners Addyson Carpenter and Bobbie Christen were in attendance.

Commissioners Joe Bigalke and Gabrielle Magill were excused absences.

5. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Carpenter, seconded by Commissioner Christen, to approve the agenda. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

6. Approval of Minutes

A. One Motion to Approve October 23, 2025, Workshop Minutes, and Special Meeting, January 22, 2026, Regular Meeting, and February 26, 2026, Workshop Minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carpenter, seconded by Commissioner Christen, to approve the October 23, 2025, Workshop Minutes, and Special Meeting, January 22, 2026, Regular Meeting, and February 26, 2026, Workshop Minutes. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

7. Presentations

8. Public Comment

Chair Breeden reviewed the public comment procedure.

No one wished to address the Commission.

9. Motions & General Business

A. Motion to Approve Publishing the Human Resource Connection in the Next Utility Bill.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek provided background information on the item and noted that there is no associated cost.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christen, seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, to approve publishing the Human Resource Connection in the Next Utility Bill. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

B. Choose the Next Project to Work on for the HRC Commissioners.

Chair Breeden noted the prior discussion about all Commissioners helping with the MLK event.

Chair Breeden asked if any Commissioners wanted to participate in any other listed events or if they felt comfortable moving ahead as planned. Commissioner Carpenter and Commissioner Christen both noted they would like to keep the projects as currently designated.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek reminded Commissioners about timelines and speakers.

Chair Breeden presented an overview of monthly projects.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek suggested having a Red Wing PRIDE organizer come to the May Commission meeting to give exposure to the event.

A motion was made by Chair Breeden, seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, to approve bringing in a speaker to the next workshop to discuss Red Wing PRIDE. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

Chair Breeden continued presenting an overview of monthly projects.

Commissioner Christen asked about the timeline for bringing in speakers. Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated that two to three weeks before a meeting would be appropriate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christen, seconded by Commissioner Carpenter, to approve Commissioner Christen holding a short presentation on the history of Memorial Day at the May Commission Meeting. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

C. Motion to Approve Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Christen, seconded by Commissioner

Carpenter, to approve the 2027 Projects. A vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously by a vote of 3:0.

10. Communication Items

A. Finance Report.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated that as of today, there is \$2,500 in the Human Rights Commission budget.

Chair Breeden voiced appreciation towards the City for approving the funds for Commission use.

B. Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Christen encouraged residents to attend the Red Wing art show for children.

Chair Breeden acknowledged Women's History Month and highlighted leading and inspirational women in the City of Red Wing.

C. What's Happening in the Community.

D. Review the Human Rights Commission 5-Year Plan with Commissioners.

Staff Liaison Kvanbeck provided an overview of what the Commission's 5-year Plan is and its purpose.

Chair Breeden thanked past Council Liaison Becky Norton for the time she spent with the Commission and noted that there are still lines of communication.

11. Adjournment

Chair Breeden adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

**Red Wing Human Rights Commission
Workshop
Community Development Building, 419 Bush Street, Red Wing, MN
June 25, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Beth Breeden; Commissioners Gabrielle Magill, Bobbie Christen

Members Absent: Addyson Carpenter (Excused Absence)

Others Present: Cara Kvanbek, Staff Liaison

1. Roll Call

Chair Beth Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek stated that Commissioner Gracie Plath would start in July.

2. Workshop Items

A. Planning for the Amos Owen Award.

Chair Breeden displayed videos related to the Amos Owen Award.

Chair Breeden presented a flyer related to the Amos Owen Award.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek discussed optional timelines for applications.

Commissioner Magill suggested opening applications in August and holding a presentation in September. Staff Liaison Kvanbek commented on the logistics of voting and holding a presentation that quickly.

Commission consensus was reached to accept nominations for the Amos Owen Award in August and to hold the presentation in October.

Chair Breeden discussed prior reception details related to refreshments.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek asked the Commission how much money they wanted to allocate to the reception.

Chair Breeden suggested a budget of \$250. Commission consensus affirmed \$250.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek asked if the Commission wanted any changes to be made to the brochure.

Commissioner Christen asked for the brochure to be added to utility billing. Staff Liaison Kvanbek commented that Staff could make that addition, and also noted there will be a program put on Channel 6.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek noted that Staff will send out a notice to the Prairie Island Community.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek discussed the nomination process.

Chair Breeden asked about boundary lines for nominations, Commissioner nominations, and xeroxing. Staff Liaison Kvanbek noted she is not nervous about xeroxing due to applications moving to an online platform.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek noted that she could have Staff create a QR code.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek discussed having a speaker at the next meeting and provided some ideas of who could speak.

3. Public Comment

Chair Breeden reviewed the public comment procedure.

No one wished to address the Commission.

Chair Breeden noted that she would like to have Staff speak to the Commission regarding housing. Staff Liaison Kvanbek commented that she would like to have someone from Habitat for Humanity come and speak at the same time.

Staff Liaison Kvanbek thanked Commissioner Christen for her work on the Memorial Day presentation.

4. Adjournment

Chair Beth Breeden adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

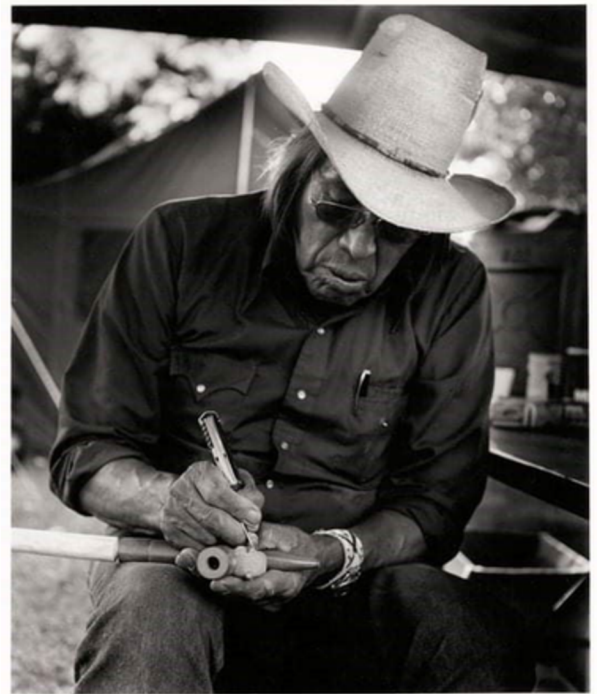
AMOS OWEN AWARD

Sponsored by the City of Red Wing Human Rights Commission

Nominations open until August 31.

Amos Owen, a Bdewakantunwan elder and spiritual leader from the Prairie Island Indian Community, worked tirelessly to preserve Dakota language and culture. He changed the world in ways that continue to have an impact today.

If you know someone who has made our community better, just as Amos Owen did, nominate them for the Amos Owen Award today.



Nominations may be submitted online at redwingmn.gov/AmosOwen or by scanning the QR code below.

"Recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world"
– Universal Declaration of Human Rights





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Call 651-385-5111 | Email: humanrights@redwingmn.gov

Online resources: redwingmn.gov/hrrc

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Recursos en línea: redwingmn.gov/hrrc

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HRC Budget 2025/2026

\$2,500.00	City Council Approved at the Beginning of 2026