### HRC Meeting April 11, 2016

Present: John Gooch, Jason Jenkins, James Gooch, Ron Bullock, Harold Slaughter, Bessye McGhee, Telessie McGhee, John Wimbush, Mary Cordrey, Helen Amis, Linda Jordon, Ethel Anderson, Archer Wilkins and Patrice Wilkerson

Excused Absence: Rev. Tony Cozart, Dianne Green, Dennis Daniel, Sarah Mayfield and David Smith

Opening by Chairman Gooch Pledge by Rev. Wilkins Prayer by Rev. Wilkins Greetings by Rev. Wilkins Approval of minutes - 1<sup>st</sup> Jason Jenkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> John Wimbush

#### **Public Comments - Don Jenkins**

Andre Washington - former prisoner, has a fear of the police. Fear to go any place near law enforcement. Was convicted of a sexual offender. DA hasn't returned his call. Feels Mr. Washington was wrongfully convicted. Someone has to do something. Never heard of an appeal to get this person off the sexual offenders list. Louise Bumpass is his mother.

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Request - would like the DA to return his call. Item for the Grievance Committee.

#### Guests

Presentation by Phillip Jordan, HR Specialist - Fair Housing for Property Managers Enforce NC Fair Housing Act

Push for stronger policies and laws

Act of treating someone differently

7 classes: Race, color, sex, handicap, families with children, national origin and religion Not protected marital status, students, sexual orientation, income or age

Examples of familial status violation - refusing to rent to families with children or to families based on the number of children in the family. 2 people per bedroom plus 1- use living room for a sleeping area. Family of 5 would be OK to rent a 2 bedroom home.

# **Committee report: Education**

Mary Cordrey - met with group planning the Youth Leadership Forum. 20 participants, Judge Carolyn Thompson, James Speed, Sen. Floyd McKissick, gift cards - 15 gift cards have been donated. Should be Visa cards. Breakfast and lunch will be provided with drinks. Need 20 cards. The event will be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 - 1:00 at the Granville County Expo. We

need to be there by 7:30.

Publicity - Butner-Creedmoor News runs our ad. Oxford does not support. Please thank them for our support.

# **Grievance- New topic presented during Public Comments**

### **Social – nothing**

No old business

No new business

Response from Oxford Post Office Manager, Michelle Griffin. Not aware of such complaint. Questions please call her at 919-693-1591.

Adjournment: 8:20PM

Minutes captured by Linda R. Jordon