

## **MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING February 20, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on February 20, 2020 in the Community Room at Washington Manor, 340 Thomas Blvd., Orange, New Jersey. The Executive Director advised that all requirements of the Sunshine Law were met. A roll call was taken as follows:

### **Present**

Chairman Ernest Williams  
Vice Chairman Clifford Ross  
Treasurer– Joseph Juliano  
Commissioner Betty McLeod Commissioner  
Coram Rimes  
Commissioner Kurt Mills – entered late

### **Absent**

Commissioner Hashim Garrett

### **Also Present**

Marsha Moore, Post Pollak

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt the agenda and Commissioner McLeod seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

No discussion

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor.

Vice Chairman Ross called for a motion to adopt the Minutes of the regular Board Meeting on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Commissioner Juliano moved to adopt the agenda and Commissioner McLeod seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

No discussion

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Dr. Walter McNeil, Jr., the Executive Director stated that there was no treasurers report because we are coming to the end of the fiscal year and are consolidating the finance reports and will forward same to the commissioners as soon as possible.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Dr. Walter McNeil, Jr., updated the Board on the tax credit development and meetings with financial institutes, attorneys and contractors. He also noted that the staff has been very busy leasing up units in Public Housing and Section 8 due to deaths and move outs.

Dr. McNeil updated the Board on the sale of 106 Ward Street, and the redevelopment of 98 Parrow Street.

Dr. McNeil informed the Board of HACO's Black History Month Programs.

Dr. Walter McNeil, Jr., reviewed the Housing Manager's Report.

### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Lance Hammond, the retiring Superintendent of Maintenance thanked the Executive Director and the Board for his years of employment at the Housing Authority.

The Chairman, Commissioners and Executive Director all congratulated, acknowledged, and thanked Lance Hammond for his years of service at HACO.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution 5564-20 resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange approving Bills for January and February 2020. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner Rimes seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

No discussion

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No.: 5565-20 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange adopting the attached relocation plan and authorizing the executive director to provide relocation assistance to residences of 194 Central Place to come from the Section 8 Administrative Fee Reserves. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded

Chairman Williams called for discussion Executive

Director discussed relocation plans.

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5566-20 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange adopting the attached relocation plan and authorizing the executive director to provide relocation assistance to residences of 187 Parrow Street Central Place to come from the Section 8 Administrative Fee Reserves. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded

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Chairman Williams called for discussion  
No discussion  
A roll call was taken  
All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5567-20 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange modifying properties to be acquired on Resolution No. 5431-17 and Resolution No. 5455-17. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner Rimes seconded

Chairman Williams called for discussion  
Executive Director advised the Board of the properties.  
A roll call was taken  
All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5568-20 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange modifying the Personnel Policy to reflect the Union Contract due to the negotiated agreement with the Union Employees. Commissioner Juliano moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded

Chairman Williams called for discussion  
Executive Director advised of the modifications that are being made.  
A roll call was taken  
Commissioners Williams, Ross, Rimes, McLeod and Mills voted in favor Julian voted against

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5569-20 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange authorizing the Executive Director to Execute the Confidential Settlement Agreement & Release between the Housing Authority of the City of Orange and MRI Software, LLC. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded

Chairman Williams called for discussion  
No discussion  
A roll call was taken  
All Commissioners voted in favor

Meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Walter D. McNeil, Jr.  
Secretary