# MINUTES FROM A SPECIAL MEETING October 10, 2022

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange was called to order at 2:00 p.m on October 10, 2022 via Zoom web-based application, in light of Governor Murphy's Executive Order 107, and to maintain the necessary social distance to avoid the spread of Covid-19. 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 Parliamentarian Joseph Juliano Commissioner Betty McLeod Commissioner Hashim Garrett Treasure Chris Jackson

#### **Absent**

Commissioner Kurt Mills

# Also Present

Walter D. McNeil, Jr., Executive Director Marsha M. Moore, Esq., Counsel Shanda Hammond, HACO staff Amanda Rivera, HACO staff Carlos Cuevas, HACO staff Pamela Valdez, HACO staff Cristina Mateo, HACO staff

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner McLeod moved to adopt the agenda and Commissioner Ross 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 and/or correction of the Minutes from a Regular Board Meeting on October 10, 2022. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt the minutes. Commissioner Juliano seconded.

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

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Executive Director reviewed the treasure reported and stated that it reflects good numbers for the authority. He reviewed the consolidated statement of operating revenues and expenditures, year to date.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Dr. McNeil updated the Board about the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

McNeil said there is a Management Report and Section 8 report for your review in your packets. He reviewed them on the meeting. He also updated them on the Section 8 waiting list that was recently opened.

# **PUBLIC SESSION**

# RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5709-22-21 approving Bills. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

Ross questioned the cost for the garage doors and Home Depot charge for the closet doors.

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution 5710-22 Authorizing the Executive Director to provide a performance bonus to employees.

Commissioner McLeod moved to adopt. Commissioner Juliano seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

Ross asked if the resolution included OHDC employees. McNeil responded no.

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No: 5711-22 recognizing Former NJ Governor, Hon, James Florio for Italian Heritage Month.

Commissioner Juliano moved to adopt. Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

Commissioner Garrett asked for an explanation of the Resolution.

McNeil advised him that the resolution was requested by Juliano.

Juliano spoke about Florio.

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No.: 5712-22 updating payment

standards for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program to be comparable with current fair market rents. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner Garrett seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion
Ross asked if the figures are what section has to pay.
Ms. Hammond responded yes
No discussion
A roll call was taken
All Commissioners voted in favor

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No.: 5713-22 - requesting permission for the attached list of commissioners and staff to attend the NJ State League of Municipalities Annual Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner McLeod seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion
Ross asked for the total cost.
McNeil responded \$5700 total, it is included on the bills list.
No discussion
A roll call was taken
All Commissioners voted in favor

A roll call was taken All Commissioners voted in favor

# **Unfinished Business/New Business**

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner McLeod moved to adjourn. Commissioner Juliano seconded.

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

Meeting ended at 3:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Walter D. McNeil, Jr. Secretary