

MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING APRIL 17, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange was held on Thursday, April 17, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Walter G. Alexander, 105 Wilson Place, Community Room, 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 Coram Rimes
Commissioner Clifford Ross
Commissioner Hudson Dorrh
Commissioner Lillie Davis
Commissioner David Rossi

Also Present

Walter D. McNeil, Jr., Executive Director
Ernest Booker, Feinstein, Raiss, Kelin & Booker
Several Tenants
Several Employees

Absent

Vice Chairman Ernest Williams
Commissioner Joseph Juliano

Pledge of Allegiance was said

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Ross called for a motion. Commissioner Hudson Durrh seconded.

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

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Hudson Durrh gave a brief summary of the meeting that was held with the Finance Committee on April 16, 2014 with fee accountant, Anthony Polcari.

Executive Director's Report

The Housing Authority of the City of Orange has been established a credible housing authority in our region. Our scattered sites, our second tax credit project shows we are growing. The agency, staff, board and residents have done a fantastic job working together. We have received approval to proceed with Oakwood Avenue. We are fully funded for this project. We received 1.5 million for this project. We will not have to take out a loan. Mr. McNeil said that the Housing Development Corporation is looking at a new contractor. Looking at new bids.

Public Session

Nobody Spoke

Resolutions

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5284-14 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange Approving Bills Resolution No. 1860. Chairman Ross called moved to adopt. Commissioner Davis seconded.

Commissioner Ross asked about the difference in the billing for the telephone system. Mr. McNeil explained that were transitioning from the old telephone service and still had some services from the old company.

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

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5285-14 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange Authorizing the Increase of Administrative Fee Payments to Receiving Housing Authorities. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commissioner Hudson Dorrah Seconded.

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

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5286-14 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange Authorizing the President of the Orange Housing Development Corporation to pay the Department of Transportation for 192 South Street, Block 3405, Lot 9 in the amount of \$2,500.00 on behalf of the Orange Housing Authority. Commissioner Rossi moved to adopt. Commissioner Davis seconded.

Chairman Rimes called for discussion.

Bryan Scotland asked about the wording in the contract. Walter McNeil suggested the verbiage be changed to be in correct agreement. Commissioner Rossi called for a friendly amendment to change the verbiage for Resolution No. 5286-14. Commissioner Davis seconded.

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

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5287-14 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange approving the annual state and federal budget for fiscal year ending 2015. Commissioner Ross moved to adopt. Commission Hudson Dorrah seconded.

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

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5288-14 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the city of Orange accepting the retirement of Marianna DeVincentis.

Mr. McNeil and Chairman Rimes will discuss verbiage for the resolution to outline her commendable service. This was a walk on resolution.

Commissioner Rossi called moved to adopt. Commissioner Ross seconded.

Chairman Rimes called for discussion

No discussion

A roll call was taken

All Commissioners voted in favor

Unfinished Business/New Business

Mr. McNeil said he is working on 187 Parrow Street. He said we now have two units rented and the third one with a potential Section 8 voucher holder. Mr. McNeil said we should have our next meeting at 340 Thomas Boulevard.

Chairman Rimes called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Davis moved to adjourn. Commissioner Rossi seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter D. McNeil, Jr.
Secretary/Treasurer