

MINUTES FROM A SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 21, 2019

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange was called to order at 6:10 p.m. on March 21, 2019 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 Joseph Juliano
Commissioner Coram Rimes
Commissioner Betty McLeod

Also Present

Walter D. McNeil, Jr., Executive Director
Brad Leak, Assistant Executive Director
Leo Dugan, Esq., Feinstein, Raiss, Kelin, Booker & Goldstein
Several Employees
Several Tenants

Absent

Commissioner Clifford Ross
Commissioner Hashim Garrett
Commissioner Francis Audain

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner McLeod 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 February 21, 2019. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt the minutes. Vice Chairman Juliano seconded.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no Treasurer's Report. Mr. Brad Leak, Assistant Executive Director stated he is getting ready for year end and the Accountant should have a report by the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. McNeil, Executive Director reviewed the Management Report and Section 8 Report with the Board of Commissioners.

Councilwoman Donna Williams entered the meeting.

Mr. McNeil stated that we have a Food Bank and it's increasing.

Chairman Williams asked do we have a timeline to complete a workorder.

Mr. McNeil said we respond within 24 hours for most workorders.

PUBLIC SESSION

Councilwoman Donna Williams stated that the City of Orange had a Women's History Program at City Hall. She stated a host from Nigeria hosted the program.

Councilwoman Williams also stated on April 10, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at The Mansion on Main Street, 3000 Main Street, Voorhees, NJ, there will be held The State of Black New Jersey 2019 Conference. The conference speaker will be Elder Derrick Green, MPM.

RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5527-19 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange approving Bills Resolution No. 1911. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt. Commissioner Juliano seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

Commissioner Rimes asked about the PSE&G bill. He wanted to know if we pay for the tenant's electric.

Mr. McNeil, Executive Director said no, but we do pay for hallway lighting and common areas.

A roll call was taken
All Commissioners voted in favor.

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5528-19 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange clarifying Resolution Number 5434 - 17 to update the contract of the Executive Director from

February 2019 – January 2022. Vice Chairman Juliano 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. 5529-19 Resolution of the Board of Commissioner of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year ending 2019. Commissioner Rimes moved to adopt. Vice Chairman Juliano seconded.

Chairman Williams called for discussion

Mr. McNeil, Executive Director said we approved the Budget last month and now we are adopting it this month.

A roll call was taken
All Commissioners voted in favor.

Chairman Williams called for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5530-19 Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Orange to eliminate the Central Office Cost Center Fund. Vice Chairman Juliano moved to adopt. Commissioner Rimes seconded.

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

Mr. McNeil, Executive Director stated that the letter with a copy of the check for reimbursement is in the Board of Commissioners package from Feinstein, Raiss, Kelin, Booker and Goldstein goes back to a claim with PSE&G from 2008 was just settled.

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

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

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter D. McNeil, Jr.
Secretary