MINUTES OF THE 3/28/19 SCHEDULED MARCH MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE <u>WEEHAWKEN HOUSING AUTHORITY</u> HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE "GREGORY AVENUE APARTMENTS" AT 525 GREGORY AVENUE, WEEHAWKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

At 7:00 PM, the meeting was called to order. Chairman Facchini read the **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE** and led the **FLAG SALUTE**.

# Present were:

Chairman D. Facchini

Commissioner C. Nersesian

Commissioner M. Schmid

Commissioner E. Bez

Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent

Commissioner C. Marchetti

Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Also present were:

Robert DiVincent - Executive Director-

William Katchen - Fee Accountant

DarleneVetter - Housing Authority Recorder

# **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Nersesian, Seconded by Commissioner Schmid to pass the 3/07/2019 re-Scheduled FEBRUARY meeting minutes.

Chairman D. Facchini -aye

Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye

Commissioner M. Schmid-aye

Commissioner E. Bez-ave

Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent

Commissioner C. Marchetti-abstain

Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Ayes: 4 Abstain: 1

# **BIDS/PROPOSALS**

In reviewing the submitted Bids for legal services from last month's meeting, Mr. DiVincent stated that the proposals came in extremely high for what the Authority requires. Mr. DiVincent proposed to the Board to reject all three legal bids submitted. He then went on to suggest taking the 3 bidders that submitted proposals and see if we can negotiate an hourly rate and they can come back with a proposal.

If a legal issue were to come up, we are still in a by-local agreement with West New York Housing Authority.

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Schmidt and seconded by Commissioner Nersesian to reject all legal bids submitted.

Chairman D. Facchini -aye
Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye
Commissioner M. Schmid-aye
Commissioner E. Bez-aye
Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent
Commissioner C. Marchetti-aye
Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Ayes: 5 Abstain:

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Nersesian and seconded by Commissioner Marchetti to approve Notice for Proposals Fiscal Audit Services for 2018.

Chairman D. Facchini -aye
Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye
Commissioner M. Schmid-aye
Commissioner E. Bez-aye
Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent
Commissioner C. Marchetti-aye
Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Ayes: 5 Abstain:

## RESOLUTONS

#### **RESOLUTION # 2019-03**

Motion was made by Commissioner Marchetti and seconded by Commissioner Nersesian to appoint Dom Facchini as Chairman for the term of one (1) year Motion was made by Commissioner Nersesian and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt to appoint Eleanor Bez as Vice-Chairman for the term of one (1) year Motion was made by Commissioner Marchetti and seconded by Commissioner Bez to appoint Marie Schmidt as Secretary for the term of one (1) year Motion was made by Commissioner Nersesian and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt to appoint Leonard Lauricella as Treasurer for the term of one (1) year

Chairman D. Facchini -aye
Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye
Commissioner M. Schmid-aye
Commissioner E. Bez-aye
Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent
Commissioner C. Marchetti-absent
Commissioner A. Orecchio-aye
Ayes: 5 Abstain:

# CORRESPONDENCE NONE

# ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

Mr. Katchen reviewed the financials with the Board, stating that the Authority was in good shape. He also explained Aquarius Capital and the unfunded liabilities for Pensions and Health Benefits

# PAYMENT OF OPERATING BILLS

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Marchetti and **Seconded** by Commissioner Schmid to pay March bills.

Chairman D. Facchini -aye
Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye
Commissioner M. Schmid-aye
Commissioner E. Bez-aye
Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent
Commissioner C. Marchetti-aye
Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Ayes: 5 Abstain:

## REPORTS

#### ATTORNEYS REPORT

Nothing to report.

# INSURANCE REPORT

Nothing to report.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- a) Mr. DiVincent stated to the Board that the Authority was fortunate to convert to RAD when it did and all the Agencies are in good shape because of the action taken by the Housing Authority.
- b) Mr. DiVincent talked with Tenant Advocate Raul Gonzalez. Mr. Gonzalez has scheduled meetings with tenants and has met with quite a few. Reports to possibly be handed in for next meeting

RAD 525 GREGORY-Project Based Voucher- 96

**SECTION 8** – *Project base vouchers-28* 

Housing Choice vouchers-184

Port out vouchers-26

Port in vouchers

# INSPECTORS REPORT

Total-13 Pass-9 Fail - 3 Inconclusive 1

# **NEW BUSINESS**

**NONE** 

# **OLD BUSINESS**

- a) Soffit at 525 repair for spring 2019.
- b) Elevator modernization to tentivily begin mid-April 2019

# REMARKS FROM CITIZENS

**NONE** 

# **ADJOURNEMENT**

At 7:10 PM motion was made by Commissioner Marchetti and seconded by Commissioner Schmidt to adjourn meeting.

Chairman D. Facchini -aye

Commissioner C. Nersesian-aye

Commissioner M. Schmid-aye

Commissioner E. Bez-aye

Commissioner L. Lauricella-absent

Commissioner C. Marchetti-aye

Commissioner A. Orecchio-absent

Ayes: 5 Abstain:

Respectfully submitted
Darlene Vetter
Housing Authority Recorder