



BHA Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
October 20, 2020
Willowbrook Community Room
Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandra Bessette, Chair; Sharyn Brush; Chris Oldham; Paul Walden

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Nancy Messina

ALSO PRESENT: Penny Taylor - Director of HCV / Section 8 Program; Dack Lauzon - Director of Facilities Management; Lindsay Vajda- Acting Executive Director; Mary Gerisch

TENANTS PRESENT: None

A quorum being present; Sandy called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

Agenda Item 1- Minutes of prior meeting:

After reviewing the draft Minutes of the prior meeting, and upon motion of Sharyn Brush, seconded by Sandy, it was unanimously, with Chris abstaining,

RESOLVED, that the Minutes from the July 21, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting be approved as written to become a permanent part of the records of the corporation.

Agenda Item 2-Executive Director Report:

Lindsay gave a report as to evictions and arrearages. There were two (2) evictions in process when the eviction moratorium started, and those remain "on hold". Delinquency report was distributed, and Lindsay explained BHA's participation in the State's arrearage payment plan. BHA has applied for payment through that plan for tenants who are in arrears, and continues to review accounts every month to determine which applications can be submitted for payment through the State. The offices remain closed to the public, as do the Community Rooms for events. It is still uncertain when housekeeping inspections will be able to resume. Upon motion of Chris, seconded by Sharyn, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, that the report of the Executive Director, including the financials that are a portion of that report, be accepted to become a permanent part of the records of the Corporation.

Agenda Item 3- Staff Reports:

- a. Section 8 Report: Penny updated the Board reporting that all of our usual activity programs are on hold due to the virus, but will resume when they are able to do so safely. She is currently meeting with tenants outdoors, observing social distancing and wearing a

mask, in order to lease up Sec. 8 tenants. All Mainstream Vouchers are currently being issued, in addition to Section 8 Housing Choice vouchers. Penny also reported that BHA has applied for 40 more Mainstream Vouchers.

- b. Facilities Report: Dack updated the Board that the renovation of the Brookside balcony tiles is being accomplished by Goldstone. He also noted that the Beech Court siding is progressing. The Board thanked Dack for his report.

Agenda Item 4- Resolution #493 regarding outdoor smoking policy

After a discussion of the proposed Resolution, it was, by motion by Chris, seconded by Sharyn, unanimously

RESOLVED, that Resolution # 493 relative to the outdoor smoking policy at all campuses shall be and is hereby approved and adopted to be implemented immediately.

Agenda Item 5- Next meeting date

The Board decided that the next meeting date for this entity will be on Tuesday, November 17th, at 4:45 pm, via zoom..

Agenda Item 7- Public Comments

There were no public comments as no members of the public were in attendance.

Adjournment

There being no other new business to be conducted, and upon motion of Sharyn seconded by Sandy, the meeting stood adjourned at 5:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Lindsay Vajda, Secretary