

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022 - 5:00 P.M.**

The Springfield Housing Authority Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 28, 2022 at the SHA Administrative Office, 200 North Eleventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was also held via Zoom (telecommunication) and was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Timothy Schweizer
 Commissioner Dan Long
 Commissioner Luckist Turner

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present:

Jackie Newman	Executive Director
Melissa Huffstedtler	Deputy Director
Michelle Sergent	Director of Finance
Stacy Huebsch	Manager of HR
Wendy Mendenhall	Director of HR
Adrienne Grover	Director of S8
Joe Antonacci	Director of Mod/Dev
Jonathan Schienschang	Construction Manager
Robin Dowis	Asset Manager
Becky Stehman	Asset Manager
Karen Cliburn	Budget Manager
Tamiko Bilbro	HCV Manager
David Herman	Attorney
Samantha Bobor	Attorney
Latina Faulkner	Executive Assistant

Other Present:

Pete Reeves	C Will
Harvey Hall	Diana Knaebe
David Parker	

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman read the following comment and then turned the meeting over to Director Newman:

This meeting is being conducted electronically pursuant to Executive Order 2020-07 signed by Governor Pritzker and guidance provided by Legal Counsel. More importantly, based on what we know now about the coronavirus pandemic and prudent precautions as a result thereof, this meeting is being conducted in a way to provide the maximum amount of protection to our Board, staff and the community. We apologize for any inconvenience to anyone, but we ask for your understanding and compliance temporarily. Thank you

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REMARKS

Director made mention of the mask mandate. In accordance with Governor Pritzker's Executive Order, the State of Illinois will end the indoor mask mandate effective Monday, February 28, 2022. Based upon the survey results and in compliance with this Order, effective Monday, February 28, 2022, the Springfield Housing Authority will not require the use of masks by employees or visitors. A written report is submitted.

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

January 24, 2022

MOTION TO APPROVE: Dan Long
SECOND: Luckist Turner

DISCUSSION:

VOTES IN FAVOR: ALL
VOTES AGAINST: NONE

RESOLUTIONS AND BOARD ACTION

RESOLUTION #3468 – REAFFIRMATION OF HUD AND DOJ JOINT STATEMENT REGARDING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS UNDER FAIR HOUSING ACT

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long
SECOND: Commissioner Turner

DISCUSSION: Samantha Bobor stated the Springfield Housing Authority is subject to the requirements of the Fair Housing Act. The Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Justice have issued a Joint Statement of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Justice, Reasonable Accommodations Under the Fair Housing Act. Dan long asked if there were anything to adopt? Samantha Bobor replied, this is purely informational.

VOTES IN FAVOR: ALL
VOTES AGAINST:

RESOLUTION #3469 – APPROVAL OF THE SECTION 8 PROJECT BASED VOUCHER PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH BE NEIGHBORS AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR VETERANS, INC.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long

SECOND: Commissioner Turner

DISCUSSION: Adrienne Grover provided overview stating SHA received a Request for Proposal for project-based vouchers from Be Neighbors Affordable Housing for Veterans. The project will consist of 18 newly developed 1-bedroom single family homes designated for veterans and will be located on Stanton Ave. The request is for project-based vouchers to be attached to all 18 units. Since the development will provide on-site supportive services, they are eligible to have vouchers attached to 100% of the development. Upon Board approval, SHA will enter into a 10-year Housing Assistance Payment contract with Be Neighbors, which will increase affordable housing opportunities for veterans in our community. Dan Long asked if the individual on zoom can introduce themselves. After introductions, Timothy Schweizer asked what was the timeline to get everything up and running? And what type of supportive service will be provided? Harvey Hall stated they plan to have everything ready by 2023. Harvey Hall also commented there will be a learning center onsite. David Parker shared his screen on zoom to show the finish pictures of proposed property. Harvey Hall stated there is a great need for Veteran housing and wanted to say thank you to Springfield Housing Authority.

VOTES IN FAVOR: ALL
VOTES AGAINST:

RESIDENT COUNCIL REPORTS

none

BOARD COMMENTS

none

PUBLIC COMMENTS

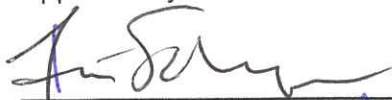
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ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Luckist Turner. Parties Disbursed

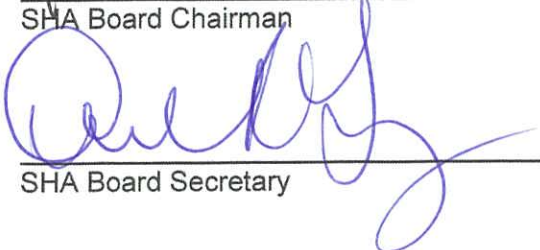
Minutes Respectfully Submitted By:
Latina Faulkner, Executive Assistant

Approved by:



SHA Board Chairman

March 28, 2022
Date



SHA Board Secretary

March 28, 2022
Date