

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE MADISON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
HELD VIA GO TO MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on February 11, 2021 was called to order by Chairman Gray at 12:02 p.m.

The Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Bobby Collins, Sr., Yolanda Crochrell, James Gray, LaSonya Stiff and Phillip White, Jr.

A quorum was achieved.

Motion by Commissioner Crochrell, seconded by Commissioner Stiff to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2021. Roll call vote, Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Crochrell to approve the payables listing as presented. Roll call vote, Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.

Commissioner Crochrell asked if Edwardsville Senior Living was a new building or an existing building MCHA would take over. Executive Director Hightower advised Edwardsville Senior Living is a new development located near the County Administration Building on Hillsboro in Edwardsville. Andrea Lambert continued by stating one building is due to be ready May 1st, advertising is starting to get the units leased up. There will be 48 units for those 55 years of age and older.

Executive Director Hightower asked the Board to look at the staff section of his report regarding the restructuring of the Section 8 Department. Amy Parkinson resigned on January 21, 2021 and Pat Howard was made the Interim Director. Glenda Bixler has been made the Section 8 Program Coordinator and Chloe Stockard has been made the FSS Coordinator. There will be 2 Section 8 caseworkers retiring in 2021. One will retire April 30 the other in October. Pat Howard is scheduled to retire at the end of June. By the end of 2021 the Section 8 Department will have a whole new face.

Commissioner White asked about the staff meeting with another housing authority. Executive Director Hightower explained that when Amy resigned there was a major void in Section 8 knowledge so he asked HUD for direction. HUD recommended meeting with Marion County Housing Authority.

Carrie Patton updated the Board on the Stevens Building redevelopment. The full application was submitted to IHDA on January 22, 2021. One item still needed is a commitment letter from HUD. The Housing Authority is currently waiting to hear back from HUD.

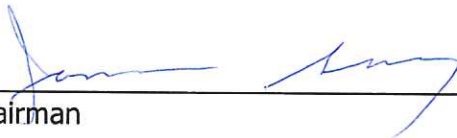
Attorney Barney Mundorf updated the Board on the Gateway litigation. Mediation is scheduled for February 24, 2021. The hope is to get the problem resolved and settled before arbitration in May.

Motion by Commissioner Crochrell, seconded by Commissioner Stiff to accept the Staff Reports as presented. Roll call vote, Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.


Commissioner Crochrell asked if she could get the locations of the properties that were purchased in Madison.

Motion by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Stiff to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote, Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.



Chairman

Attest:


Secretary