

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE MADISON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY  
HELD AT 2 EASTPORT PLAZA DRIVE; COLLINSVILLE, IL 62234

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on Thursday, November 14, 2019, was called to order by Chairman Gray at 12:04 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 October 17, 2019. 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 Stiff, 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.

Executive Director Hightower explained the HUD review and the issues found. He explained MCHA had to create a cost center with over 250 units. In that in the last 10 years a lot of public housing units were lost. As units were demolished funding decreased. 2012 \$42,000 was left in the cost center, 2013 it was negative \$218,000, 2014 negative \$228,000 and it continued. AMP 611, public housing, has been covering the cost center for years and the money has to be paid back. Reality we will be repaying ourselves.

He continued by stating HUD has said we can get rid of the cost center due to currently having under 250 units. Management fees are currently paid to the cost center. Should we get rid of the cost center it was suggested the housing authority set up another entity to which the management fees would be paid. This is all in the preliminary stages, more meetings are to come.

He advised he has begun looking at job descriptions going into 2020 and there may be the need to eliminate some positions depending on the outcome of the review. Youth programming will continue as these are paid for out of the Development Company.

Executive Director Hightower asked Attorney Mundorf for guidance. Commissioner Crochrell is the Executive Director of Quad City Community Development. This organization receive the check from the Development Company in support of the Future All Starts program. Is this a conflict of interest now that Ms. Crochrell is on the Madison County Housing Authority Board? Attorney Mundorf advised he would look into it and get back with the Board.

Executive Director Hightower advised the Board 2019 Capital Fund grant money has been released for draw down.

Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner White 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.

Executive Director Hightower advised the Board that in past years LaTosha chaired the Christmas Luncheon however, Kiera Jordan has been asked will fill in while LaTosha is out. Teri Lake, Andrea Lambert, Pat Howard and Brianna McElroy have been selected to the Christmas Luncheon committee.

Market Street Homes Board will meet on December 13, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. a replacement for Mr. Glasper will be decided. The Regular and Annual Board Meeting of the Madison County Housing Authority Board will be held December 13, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Stiff, seconded by Commissioner Crochrell to approve Resolution 2019 R 18; A Resolution adopting Public Housing and Non-Public Housing Utility Allowances to include Olin Building, Braner Building, Alton Pointe Apartments, Gateway Development, Meachum Crossing Apartments, Washington Avenue Apartments and Woodland Park Apartments. 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 White, seconded by Commissioner Stiff to approve Resolution 2019 R 19; A Resolution adopting Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program Utility Allowances. 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 Stiff, seconded by Commissioner Crochrell to approve Resolution 2019 R 20; A Resolution authorizing a payment. 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 White, seconded by Commissioner Crochrell to approve Resolution 2019 R 21; A Resolution adopting a new health insurance plan for the employees of Madison County Housing Authority. 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 Crochrell, seconded by Commissioner Stiff to go into Closed Session. Roll call vote, Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.


Closed Session began at 12:24 p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 12:58 p.m.


Recall to Order: Commissioner White, aye, Commissioner Stiff, aye, Commissioner Crochrell, aye, Commissioner Collins, aye, Commissioner Gray, aye. All aye, motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

  
Chairman

Attest:

  
Secretary