

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2017 REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

The Housing Authority of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on, November 16, 2017, in the City Administration Building, Room #111, Fayetteville, AR.

Mike Emery, Chair Person, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Mike Emery, Chris White, Laurence McMahon, Carma Unruh and
Melissa Terry

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Deniece Smiley and Kyra McCown of Fayetteville Housing Authority, James Crouch, Attorney at Law,, Betty Roark with Beaver Watershed Alliance, Melissa Campbell and assistance, Betty Roark with Beaver Watershed Alliance, candidates for Board Commissioner Seat, members of the press, Hillcrest Towers Residents and public.

NEW BUSINESS

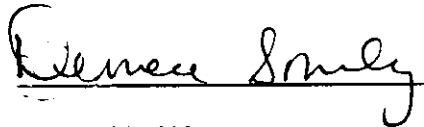
- A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Regular Board Meeting – No corrections or changes were made to the board meeting minutes; Chris White made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Laurence McMahon seconded.
- B. Approval of September 2017 FHA Program Balance Sheets & Income Statements and October 2017 Accounts Payable Summary. Chris White made the motion to accept the financial records as submitted and Melissa Terry seconded.
- C. Approval of Resolution No. 1095 – Resolution Authorizing the Submission of Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Certification for Fiscal Year Ending 9/30/2017. Chris White made the motion to submit the certification and Melissa Terry seconded.
- D. Presentation of Proposed Revision of Non Smoking Policy. Written Comments from Public Housing Residents were read by Mike Emery, and HCT Residents that were present made formal statements. After some discussion by the board and staff, Melissa Terry made a motion to table the proposal to the next scheduled board meeting on December 28, 2017. Lucky McMahon seconded it.

- E. Discussion of Coin Changer at Hillcrest Towers. Melissa Terry presented offer communicated to her by business to provide coin changer for HCT in the amount of \$750. After some discussion by residents, public housing staff and board the issue was dismissed.
- F. Proposal from Beaver Watershed Alliance – Betty Roark presented brief remarks about the mission of the agency and announced that the Teeny Tiny Preschool had applied and had been approved by them for a \$1000 grant to create a rainwater garden at the daycare site. AS part of the discussion the Preschool and Beaver Watershed Alliance were requested to make sure the Housing Authority Staff and Board was kept apprised of all future proposed projects to ensure compliance with HUD and Physical Standards.
- G. Update on Energy Audits – There was not a representative present to make remarks; progress reports for all sites were presented.
- H. Hill Crest Towers Emergency Grant Application – The Board was informed by Deniece Smiley that she had been recently contacted by HUD and requested to provide information regarding the future intent of pursuing RAD at Hillcrest Towers and their request to utilize the 2017 Capital Fund Grant - \$183,000 and a portion of the Operating Fund Reserves in the amount of \$255,000 to fund the \$3 Million Emergency Grant Project. After some discussion, Melissa made the motion to accept the recommendation by Executive Director to maintain Hillcrest Towers as Public Housing and agreed to the request by HUD. Lucky McMahan seconded it.
- I. Housing Authority Board of Commissioner Selection - Prior to starting the interview, Mike Emery introduced a question that had been posed regarding the steps to be taken in case of a tie vote. Jim Crouch, the FHA Attorney advised that the present Commissioner could continue to conduct board business until replaced but in his opinion should not vote for himself. Thereafter all candidates that were present at the meeting were interviewed. One candidate was interviewed by phone. After the interviews, discussion of adding additional board members beyond the one vacancy was had. It was decided and announced by the board to table the vote to the next board meeting in December to get an opinion from the Attorney General's Office. Melissa Terry made the motion to table the vote and Lucky McMahan seconded with an understanding that the vote will take place at the next meeting. Melissa Terry stated that she would request Representative Greg Leding make the request on the board's behalf to the AG's Office.

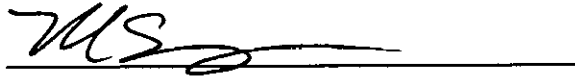
- J. Discussion of Revisions of Housing Authority Board By-Laws. Mike Emery presented copies of proposed By-Laws he had drafted for consideration. After advice from legal counsel regarding Arkansas Code of Conduct and Ethics, it was decided that the consideration for revision would be looked at in the future.
- K. The Executive Director's report was reviewed with the board.
- L. Mike Emery allowed opportunity for public comments. None were offered.

The meeting was adjourned with the announcement that the next regular meeting would be on December 28, 2017.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
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CHAIRMAN

28 Dec 2017

DATE