

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY  
OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY, HELD OCTOBER 12, 2017 AT  
165 EAST GRAND AVENUE, RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

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The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm. Chairman Ragan requested a moment of silence for the passing of Rahway Housing Authority's; Senior Service Coordinator, Patricia Roselli. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance. Chairman Ragan stated that adequate meeting notice requirements, as prescribed by NJ Sunshine Law, had been met.

Upon roll call Commissioners Pekarofski, Ragan, Simon, and Thomas answered present, with Commissioner Lesinski, Parson and Snowden absent. Also in attendance were Accountant Ciarrocca, Attorney Testino, and Maintenance Supt. Ricky Ansley.

Chairman Ragan requested that the minutes of the September meeting be acted on. Upon a motion by Commissioner Pekarofski, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, the minutes were approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

There being no Directors Report; this portion of the meeting was closed.

Chairman Ragan requested that the October bills (incurred in September) be presented for payment. Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Simon, the bills were approved for payment by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Commissioner Ragan presented the following Resolutions, with action taken as noted:

Res. #1550 – **(Revised resolution #1548)** REVISION FROM THE 2017 FAIR MARKET RENT (FMR) TO THE 2018 FMR AT THE 40<sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE AS PAYMENT STANDARD FOR THE SECTION 8 RENT SUBSIDY PROGRAM FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD STARTING SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 – Upon motion by Commissioner Simon, seconded by Commissioner Pekarofski, Res. #1550 was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Under Financial Matters Mr. Ciarrocca reviewed the first monthly financial report for the fiscal year. Mr. Ciarrocca mentioned the change in electric is due to seasonal summer cost. Mr. Ciarrocca further mentioned this year's audit is scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Under Legal Matters Mr. Testino stated he has received a personal law suit from a resident; which maybe passed the statue. Mr. Testino mentioned that Rahway Housing Authority will be adopting a policy under the "No Smoking" rule. Mr. Pushko stated all residents have already been notified in writing of this rule and that Rahway Housing Authority will be smoke free effective January 2, 2018. Signs have been posted at all properties. Mr. Pushko stated that Rahway Housing Authority has sent out a letter to Mr. Marvin Hill; a retired Maintenance worker, regarding his medical benefits. This letter

was to verify whether his daughter is a full time student or not. In the event, Mr. Hill fails to return this request, Mr. Pushko will be asking Mr. Testino to send out a another letter stating that his family benefits will be terminated.

There being no Old Business; this portion of the meeting was closed.

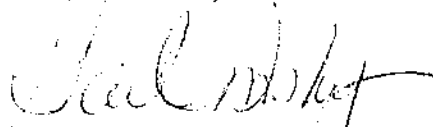
There being no members of the public present, this portion of the meeting was closed.

Under New Business; Gail Ansley briefed the Commissioners on a request for a Police Incident Report at our family site; which was denied due to a medical issue. Mr. Pushko had contacted Rahway Housing Authority's liaison at the police department regarding this matter. Mr. Pushko wanted to know the protocol on obtaining incident reports, even if the EMT's respond. Commissioner Thomas suggested that Rahway Housing Authority send the Chief of Police a letter, to rectify this issue. Mr. Pushko stated with the untimely passing of Patricia Roselli, the Personnel Policy states the spouse will receive medical benefits for three months.

Chairman Ragan welcomed everyone back and looking forward to the upcoming year.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,



Gail Ansley, Recording Secretary