

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY, HELD DECEMBER 7, 2023 AT
165 EAST GRAND AVENUE, RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance. Chairman Pekarofski stated that adequate meeting notice requirements, as prescribed by NJ Sunshine Law, had been met.

Roll Call:

Upon roll call Commissioners Lesinski, Pekarofski, Simon and Thomas-Petit answered present. Commissioners Brooks, Gonzalez, and Thomas were absent. Also in attendance were Attorney Testino and Accountant Ciarrocca.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder for approval of minutes of November 9th. Upon a motion by Commissioner Simon, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, the minutes were approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Director's Report: Ms. Wenson Maier

Bills List: Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder for approval of the November Bills List. Upon a motion by Commissioner Simon, seconded by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

None

Resolutions:

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 1712 – APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM YEAR 50 APPLICATION FOR ADA ACCESSIBLE DOORS AND INTERCOM SYSTEMS FOR SCHAFFHAUSER AND CASE APARTMENTS**. Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 1713 - RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE, ADMINISTRATION, & THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENTS**

**OF LABOR, BANKING AND INSURANCE AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
LIMIT BUDGET INCREASES FOR PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Lesinski, seconded by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 1714 -APPROVAL TO HIRE DGB CONSULTING GROUP FOR GLENDENNING RELOCATION PLAN, PHASE I AT A MAXIMUM TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$15,000.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Simon, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 1715 - RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER FOR NEW JERSEY PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY JOINT INSURANCE FUND (JIF) FOR FUND YEAR 2024.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Lesinski, seconded by Commissioner Simon, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Chairman Pekarofski requested a mover and seconder to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 1716 - APPROVAL FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CARRY OVER UNUSED VACATION TIME INTO 2024.** Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, the resolution was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Public Comment:

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

Financial Matters: Dave will continue to train Martha Villagran for the Bookkeeper position. She is working out well. All work papers were sent to the Auditor. RHA drew down funds from eLOCCS. He is working on accessing the Shortfall Funds.

Legal Matters: Mr. Testino discussed Resolution 1710 and Local Finance Notice 2016.

Old Business:

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

New Business:

Chairman Pekarofski turned the meeting over to the Executive Director to chair the election proceedings for Chairman and Vice Chairman.

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Approved December 7, 2023

Regular Meeting

Executive Director asked for nominations from the floor for Chair. Commissioner Simon made a motion to elect Chairman Pekarofski for Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and three (3) Absent.

Executive Director asked for nominations from the floor for Vice Chairman. Commissioner Pekarofski made a motion to elect Chairman Simon for Vice Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) Ayes and (3) Absent.

Chairman Comments:

Chairman Pekarofski thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, upon a motion by Commissioner Lesinski, seconded by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm, by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Wenson Maier
Executive Director/Recording Secretary