MINUTES Regular Meeting SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

The regular meeting of the Housing Authority of the Township of Brick was held on September 23, 2024 at 6:30pm at the David Fried Community Room

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Dyer at 6:30 PM.

The meeting began with the reading of the Sunshine Law statement.

Upon Roll Call those present were:

Commissioner Russell

Commissioner Oliver

Commissioner Linkin

Vice Chairman Dyer

Commissioner Dunne

Also present were Jacob Naszimento, Executive Director, and Terry Brady, Board Attorney

Chairman Jampel was absent.

After the salute to the Flag, there was a moment of silence for those in need.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the open session minutes from the Board of Commissioners meeting held on August 26th was made by Commissioner Dunne and seconded by Commissioner Linkin. Upon roll call, Commissioners Russell, Linkin, Dunne and Vice-Chairman Dyer voted "Aye". Commissioner Oliver abstained, because she was not at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Naszimento read his report for those present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Vice Chairman Dyer read the treasurer's report for those in attendance.

Motion to approve the Section 8 payment checks #31864 through #31886 and direct deposit #6451 through #6526, BHA operating payment checks #26426 through #26429, RAD Operating payment checks #3091 through #3118, security deposit refund payment check #165, and Tenant Service payment checks #3213 through #3216 was made by Commissioner Russell and seconded by Commissioner Oliver. Payment vouchers were approved unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC INPUT

All tenants in attendance thanked the Board and staff for another great BBQ.

Mr. Frank Como, a resident of George Conway, requested the installation of additional ambient lighting around the flagpole, a popular spot for residents to smoke or sit at night. Ms. Fran Staret, also a resident of George Conway, suggested that the lighting at Forge Pond is superior and recommended illuminating the area in question similarly. Mr. Naszimento stated that he would discuss this matter with the maintenance team and the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Ms. Darlene Ward Garner, David Fried Resident asked how often the vestibules were cleaned. Mr. Naszimento said they are cleaned once a month.

Ms. Judy Henry, George Conway Resident, asked for more clarification on the Trunk and Treat that she discussed with the Chairman at the BBQ. She also asked if there will be a Christmas Party this year. Mr. Naszimento said he will discuss the Halloween event with the Chairman and get back to her and replied yes to having a Christmas Party.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Janet Moore, George Conway Resident, reported that something has to be done to the flooring in the library. Mr. Naszimento said he is currently working on a solution to the flooring.

Mr. John Bigley, George Conway Resident asked if the gate leading into the neighborhood behind the David Fried Community Room could be unlocked. Following a brief discussion, Mr. Naszimento said he would discuss this with the Building and Grounds Committee.

Ms. Patricia Thatcher, a resident of Forge Pond, inquired about Holly Cwiklinski's position at the Housing Authority, stating that Ms. Cwiklinski had threatened to evict her while she was undergoing chemotherapy. Commissioner Russell responded that discussing an employee in a public session requires a Rice notice and the employee's presence. Ms. Thatcher then became agitated and addressed Mr. Naszimento, accusing him of refusing to discuss the matter with her. Mr. Naszimento clarified that this was not the appropriate time or place for such a discussion and that he had not refused to speak with her, but he would not tolerate being yelled at. He added that he had spoken to Ms. Thatcher on the phone, and she did not like his response, leading her to yell when she did not hear what she wanted. Ms. Thatcher expressed that she felt discriminated against. Vice Chairman Dyer stated that the matter would not be discussed further in the meeting and advised Ms. Thatcher to call and make an appointment with Mr. Naszimento.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to be brought before the Commissioners, motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Russell and seconded by Commissioner Linkin. Upon roll call, all Commissioners voted "Aye". The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Jacob C. Naszimento,

Executive Director/Secretary