

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MANSFIELD

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Housing Authority Office

October 15, 2015

9:30 a.m.

Attendance: Mr. Long, Chairman; Mr. Simonsen, Vice Chairman was excused; Mr. Eddy, Secretary and Treasurer; Ms. Hall, Assistant Treasurer; Ms. Fields, Executive Director and Mr. Donald Hundt, Resident Representative Selectee.

The meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Chairman.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Hall and seconded by Mr. Eddy to accept the minutes of the September 18, 2015 Annual Meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR

Bills

A motion was made by Ms. Hall and seconded by Mr. Eddy to approve the September bills. Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Reports –A (General)

A motion was made by Mr. Eddy and seconded by Ms. Hall to approve the August Financials. Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Report-B (Section 8 Statistical Report)

A motion was made by Mr. Eddy and seconded by Ms. Hall to approve the September Section 8 Statistical Report. Motion approved unanimously.

REPORT FROM TENANT REPRESENTATIVE

Human Services Advisory Committee

The meeting was scheduled for September 30th, but Mr. Eddy was unable to attend. He did not receive an agenda for the meeting and could not find any minutes so Mr. Eddy concluded that the meeting may have been cancelled.

General Reports

The Resident Service Coordinator put together a picnic on September 24, 2015. Mr. Eddy assisted. It was a potluck and 18 people attended. The Housing Authority contributed the hotdogs and rolls. It was a beautiful, warm and sunny day and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Section 8 Fair Market Rents (FMR) for Ashford and Chaplin

HUD has posted the proposed Fair Market Rents and Ashford and Chaplin have gone down for the second year in a row, with the exception of the Efficiency. Ms. Fields provided information on the number of current Ashford and Chaplin vouchers in use; the estimated cost of leaving the 2015 FMR in place for the Housing Authority; and how the current participants would be affected if the new FMR was used. Ms. Fields recommended that the Board vote to retain the 2015 FMR for Ashford and Chaplin for all bedroom sizes that are reduced by HUD for 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Eddy and seconded by Ms. Hall to keep the 2015 FMR numbers for all bedroom sizes that have been reduced by HUD for 2016. Motion approved unanimously.

Wrights Village Pet Policy

After a lengthy discussion, Ms. Fields agreed to prepare a question and copy Mr. Eddy asking residents if they would like to change the “no pets” policy to allow pets. The question will be brought to the next Board meeting for review and approval. At that time, the approved question will be submitted to the residents for a vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Eddy and seconded by Ms. Hall to create the question and submit the approved question for allowing pets to the residents for a vote. Motion approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MEETING DATE REVIEW

The next meeting will be as scheduled on November 19, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. without objection.

Dexter Eddy, Secretary

Approved:

Richard Long, Chairman