

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE



The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Township of Woodbridge held a special meeting via a <http://global.gotomeeting.com/join/921071845#> or calling into 1-312-757-3121 access code 920-171-845 at 7:00 PM on July 26, 2021, the hour and date duly established for the holding of such meeting.

Chairman Ficarra called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Executive Director Brightman read the Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act . 1975, C.231 which provided that adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Township of Woodbridge was provided in the following manner:

On , 2021, a copy of the notice of this meeting setting forth the date and time of this rescheduled meeting was posted along with an adequate electronic notice, sent to Town Hall for posting and was faxed to the Home News Tribune and Star Ledger. The link for this meeting was also posted on the WHA website.

Upon roll call, those present and absent were as follows:

PRESENT

ABSENT

Commissioners:

Commissioner:

Sharad Agarwal, Commissioner (7:14 PM)
Ryan Michelson, Commissioner
Jack Kenny, Vice Chair
Jenny Perez-Rosado, Commissioner
Paul Pires, Commissioner
Gregg Ficarra, Chairman

Shontay Walker, Commissioner

Council Liaison:

Lizbeth DeJesus

Authority General Counsel:

Terrence Corriston, Esq., Breslin & Breslin

Administration:

Donna Brightman, Executive Director

Accountant:

William Katchen

NEW BUSINESS

a) Reso #3137 – Operating Budget

Motion moved by Commissioner Kenny and seconded by Commissioner Michelson to adopt Resolution #3137.

Discussion

Mr. Katchen stated that the operating budget projects dwelling rents and other income in the amount of \$1,885,600 and HAP payments in the amount of \$2,322,780 for a total of \$4,208,380.

Expenses are projected at \$4,070,040.

Leaving a surplus of \$138,341.

ROLL CALL: Agarwal Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Walker Ficarra

AYES: Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Ficarra

NAYS: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Agarwal Walker

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

b) Reso #3138 – State Budget

Motion moved by Commissioner Kenny and seconded by Commissioner Rosado to adopt Resolution #3138.

Discussion

Mr. Katchen stated that this budget consists of Public Housing Management revenues of \$4,208,380, Housing Voucher revenues of \$171,530 for a total of \$13,449,910.

The WHA has a 5 million dollar surplus.

A capital budget of \$200,000 is planned.

Executive Director Brightman asked the BOC what they thought of doing the façade over at Adams.

All the commissioners were in agreement.

ROLL CALL: Agarwal Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Walker Ficarra

AYES: Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Ficarra

NAYS: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Agarwal Walker

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

b) Reso #3139 – Awarding a Legal Contract to Breslin & Breslin

Motion moved by Commissioner Michelson and seconded by Commissioner Pires to adopt Resolution #3139.

Discussion

Chairman Ficarra thanked Counsel Corrison for his long-standing service to the WHA.

Counsel Corrison stated that he enjoyed working with Executive Director Brightman and her staff.

ROLL CALL: Agarwal Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Walker Ficarra
AYES: Kenny Michelson Perez-Rosado Pires Ficarra
NAYS: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Agarwal Walker

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

COMMENTS

Chairman Ficarra asked if anyone had anything to say.

Commissioner Rosado said she was running for the Board of Education.

Executive Director Brightman asked Counsel Corrison if Commissioner Rosado would be able to stay on as a commissioner.

Counsel Corrison answered that he thinks so but will check on the situation.

Councilwoman DeJesus stated that they were doing backpack giveaway's at Jacobs Landing.

At this point in time, Commissioner Agarwal joined the meeting (7:14 PM.)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Agarwal and seconded by Commissioner Pires to adjourn at 7:15 PM.

All commissioners present voted in favor.

Donna Brightman
Executive Director/Secretary