

REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 17, 2023

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Township of Neptune, in the County of Monmouth, met in the regular session in the conference room at 1810 Alberta Avenue, Neptune, New Jersey. Chairman **Griggs** called the meeting to order at **5:35 p.m.** and then called roll.

Present: Commissioners **Foster, Griggs, Holly, Johnson, and Williams**

Absent: Commissioners: **Barksdale,**

It was announced that the requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in the Coaster and in the Asbury Park Press on **August 25, 2022**, posted on the bulletin board in the Central Office of the Housing Authority of the Township of Neptune and filing said notice with the Municipal Clerk of the Township of Neptune. In case of a fire, the stairways to the right and left will be utilized as our emergency exits.

Minutes:

The minutes of the regular meeting of **December 20, 2022**, were offered for approval by Commissioner **Johnson** and seconded by Commissioner **Foster**. The “Ayes” and “Nays” were as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners **Foster, Griggs, Holly, Johnson, and Williams**

Nays: **None**

Abstain:

Chairman **Griggs** thereupon declared the motion carried.

Financial Report:

Chairman Griggs read the Financial Report for **December 2022** and asked if there were any questions regarding the financial report, being none Commissioner **Williams** moved to accept, and Commissioner **Johnson** offered a second. The “Ayes” and “Nays” were as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners **Foster, Griggs, Holly, Johnson, and Williams**

Nays: **None**

Chairman **Griggs** thereupon declared the motion carried.

Bills to be paid for the Month of January 2023

NJ PHA JIF	\$117,076.00	NORTHWIND MECHANIC	\$9,406.65
GEESE POLICE	\$1,460.00	PILOT ELECTRIC	\$1,037.20
HOME DEPOT	\$16,593.21	TPK CONSTRUCTION	\$14,426.50
MAZTECK	\$2,076.24		

A motion was offered to pay the presented bills by Commissioner **Foster** and Commissioner **Holly** offered a second. The “Ayes” and “Nays” were as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners **Foster, Griggs, Holly, Johnson, and Williams**

Nays: **None**

Chairman **Griggs** thereupon declared the motion carried.

Resident Arrears Report:

Mr. Wigenton stated court was Friday, January 13, 2023, and was an exceptionally long day. There were six in person cases, two paid and were dismissed, three judgments for possession were filed and the next step will be a warrant of removal. The last case is scheduled for a status conference on Friday, January 27, 2023. Commissioner **Johnson** moved to accept, and Commissioner **Holly** offered a second. The “Ayes” and “Nays” were as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners **Foster, Griggs, Holly, Johnson, and Williams**

Nays: **None**

Chairman **Griggs** thereupon declared the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Correspondence:

Old Business:

Commissioner **Foster** addressed the board stating she was given no notice that Mr. Cook was away and would not be available. It was unanimous across the board none of the commissioners knew he would be away at a conference or on vacation. The board also agreed this was not the first time Mr. Cook went away without given notice. Chairman Griggs mentioned it goes against his contract and Personnel Policy and will be addressed with Mr. Cook when he gets back. Commissioner **Holly** asked what was going on with the staff holiday party and Sergio Navarrete’s retirement party. A few commissioners mentioned they had January 21, 2023, marked down on their calendars from an earlier meeting, but no

one was there to verify a date or time. Commissioner **Holly** also asked if a date was scheduled for the demolition of 1130 Heck Ave. Mr. Griggs mentioned not that he knew of. Commissioner **Foster** stated she saw a GOFUND ME page for Neptune Village last block party before it is demolished, it also mentions the Housing Authority is involved. The board discussed they knew nothing of this, and all agreed The Neptune Township Housing Authority should notify our tenants that we are not affiliated with the GOFUND ME page.

New Business:

Topic for Discussion:

Public Portion:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Law of 1975, known as the “Open Meetings Law,” authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances; and

Whereas, said law requires the Board of Commissioners to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such executive or private session.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Township of Neptune Housing Authority does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in session prior to adjournment of this public meeting to discuss legal/personnel matters and the matters to be discussed are excluded from public discussion under the law and will be made public when the confidentiality is no longer required.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

A motion to adjourn was offered by Commissioner **Holly** and seconded by Commissioner **Williams**. The meeting was adjourned at **6:00 p.m.**

Bart J. Cook, Esq., PHM
Executive Director