

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH OF
HIGHLAND PARK



The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Borough of Highland Park met in a Regular Session in the Community Room of the S.J. Kronman Apartments located at 242 South Sixth Avenue, Highland Park, NJ at 6:30 PM on June 12, 2013, the hour and date duly established for the holding of said meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Sedehi and the Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, C.231 was read by Kathy Blaha.

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

PRESENT

ABSENT

Commissioners:

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Morgan Chen, Commissioner
Diane Reh, Commissioner
Evelyn Sedehi, Chairwoman
Amanda Thomas, Commissioner
Burton Weltman, Commissioner

Mary Barnes, Commissioner
Charlotte Quaintance, Commissioner

Council Liaison:
Susan Welkovits

Authority General Counsel:
Terrence Corriston, Esq., Breslin & Breslin
(6:45 PM)

Administration:
Donna Brightman, Executive Director
Mike Yannuzzi, Maintenance Manager
Kathy Blaha, Housing Director

Public Comment

Nancy Bernstein, 5R, said three washing machines were not working due to a power surge. She continued to say that people were washing late at night after 10:30 PM.

Executive Director Brightman stated that she will have Diane Boyle put up signs in the laundry room to finish by 9PM.

Dolores Van Lieu, 4H, added that they should clean the dryer filters.

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 22, 2013 was made by Commissioner Reh and seconded by Commissioner Weltman.

ROLL CALL: Barnes Chen Quaintance Reh Sedehi Thomas Weltman
AYES: Chen Reh Sedehi Weltman
NAYS: None
Abstain: Thomas
Absent: Barnes Quaintance

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

COMMENTS ON COMMUNICATIONS - none

REPORTS – no comments

RESOLUTIONS

a) Reso #2013-36 – Adopting a Collection Agency

Motion moved by Commissioner Weltman and seconded by Commissioner Reh to adopt Resolution #2013-36.

Discussion

Commissioner Chen asked about the collection agency.

Commissioner Weltman explained their process of collection and when payment to the agency takes place.

ROLL CALL: Barnes Chen Quaintance Reh Sedehi Thomas Weltman
AYES: Chen Reh Sedehi Weltman
NAYS: None
Abstain: Thomas
Absent: Barnes Quaintance

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

b) Reso #2013-37 – Approval of Table of Organization

Motion moved by Commissioner Reh and seconded by Commissioner Weltman to adopt Resolution #2013-37.

Discussion

Executive Director Brightman explained that Commissioner Weltman wanted the WHA and HP designation in the employee boxes.

ROLL CALL: Barnes Chen Quaintance Reh Sedehi Thomas Weltman
AYES: Chen Reh Sedehi Weltman
NAYS: None

Abstain: Thomas
Absent: Barnes Quaintance

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

c) Reso #2013-38 – Adopting Monthly Bill List

Motion moved by Commissioner Weltman and seconded by Commissioner Chen to adopt Resolution #2013-38.

ROLL CALL: Barnes Chen Quaintance Reh Sedehi Thomas Weltman
AYES: Chen Reh Sedehi Weltman
NAYS: None
Abstain: Thomas
Absent: Barnes Quaintance

The Chair thereupon declared said motion approved.

Reports

Counsel Corrison explained the eviction process and the right of the tenant to a hearing.

Council Liaison Welkovits stated that she was approached about the smoke alarms going off quite often and the need to cut down on false alarms.

Executive Director Brightman stated that she is aware of this as they are placed too close to the kitchen and it's too expensive to correct.

Councilwoman Welkovits asked if a resident can call in the false alarm.

Executive Director Brightman responded that they cannot as the Fire Dept. is obliged to come out. She also stated that she will look into the situation.

Second Public Comment

Dolores Van Lieu, 4H, asked if the tenants can use the municipal lot on off-hours.

Councilwoman Welkovits stated that she would check this out.

Maggie Ferber, 5C, stated that a couple of guys have motorcycles and they come in late and the noise wakes her up.

Kathy Blaha stated that she would speak to them.

Thomas Domke, 5L, thanked the administration for the new washers and dryers.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Weltman and seconded by Commissioner Reh to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

All commissioners present voted in favor.

Donna Brightman, Exec. Director/Secretary

