

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the
Board of Commissioners of the
Dania Beach Housing Authority
Held in the Meeting Room
715 West Dania Beach Boulevard, Dania Beach, Florida
On Monday, February 12th, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Dania Beach Housing Authority met at 5:00 p.m. on the 12th day of February 2018. Commissioner Mitchell delivered the Invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Bob Adams, Chairperson
Derrick Hankerson, Vice Chairperson
Gloria Black
Tamora Brown
Tiffany Carlisle
William Winkelholz
Ruth White

ABSENT

Merita Mitchell - excused
William Winkelholz - excused

Non-Voting

Anne Castro

Commissioner Black led the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Commissioners Merita Mitchell and Bill Winkelholz absences was excused without objection. Chair Adams made a presentation to Commissioner Carlisle in appreciation for her service to the board. New board member Tamora Brown was sworn in by Executive Directory and Notary Public Anne Castro.

The minutes were approved unanimously with a motion by Vice Chair Hankerson and seconded by Commissioner White. The Executive Director (ED) reviewed the financial reports. The Accounts Payable was reviewed with comments that online payments to BCBS, Home Depot and Chase are not included. The ED also advised that we have the auditor payment coming up which is a total of about \$12,000 in two separate payments. The ED also advised that the medical insurance, which used to be \$6,200, and was reduced to about \$3,600, is going up to about \$4,200 a month for the upcoming year.

Public Housing and Section 8 revenue is down. The former by less rent paid by tenants and the Section 8 by reduction in HUD funding. Expenses have been reduced and we are continually reviewing to see where we can reduce any other expenditures. The occupancy was reviewed with 37 public housing units occupied, and for Section 8, we have 464 vouchers on rent with 8 ports. The ED reminded the board with HUD funding levels, we can to issue and put all 499 vouchers on rent at this time. There have been no evictions or terminations. The ED also reported about the repayment agreements, which is clients who did not provide increased income changes, or filed erroneous income tax returns and did not pay sufficient rent portions. Commissioner Black provided details as to how our clients may be taken advantage of by tax preparers.

The ED updated the board about the Executive Directors meeting including the pending Small Area Fair Market Rent (SAFMR) implementation.

The ED provided an update on the loan is coming up at the City Commission the following night. She encouraged residents to attend the City Commission meeting. Chair Adams commented on how some of the commission members may vote no and not support the loan. Vice Chair Hankerson discussed the need for economic diversity in our neighborhoods and communities. Commissioner Brown also mentioned the frustration of the community and residents regarding the lack of support from the City Commission. We are prepared to look at other options should the loan be rejected by the City Commission.

Vice Chair Hankerson briefly discussed the conference he attended and the number of requirements that Housing Authorities must sustain. He requested a workshop which was scheduled for the next meeting. The workshop will start at 4 p.m. before the meeting starting at 5 p.m.

Resident's Comments: Asked about the loan coming up before the commission tomorrow. They were advised to attend the City Commission meeting and speak if they so desired. They asked about the structure of the building and were they "grandfathered" in. They were advised they were built prior to ADA and South Florida Building Code. Some of the residents spoke about the leaks/mold. We listed three apartments for maintenance to review.

Commissioner Comments: The March meeting would be canceled unless business arose that required a meeting to be held. The Authority is making progress in the right direction. Everyone is looking forward to the new project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.