

## GARNETT HOUSING AUTHORITY

Garnett Housing Authority Board Meeting March 13, 2023, Garnett Housing Office @ 7pm.

Board members present: Butch Rocker, Betts Abraham, Casey Smith, Karlyn Hulett, Housing Director, also attended the meeting.

Absent: Steve Spring and Mike Burns

Minutes of the February 13, 2023 were read corrections noted and approved by all, pending corrections.

Bill were reviewed: Butch motioned to approve the bills, Casey 2nd

Karlyn Hulett gave the following report

Satisfaction Survey: Casey explained what he would like to see in a satisfaction survey and an idea of how it would be done. He will come to the April meeting with a sample of what he is thinking so the board can modify it to fit the needs here.

New Bed bug policy was distributed

Plat of PPN utilities were given out. Karlyn stated per Travis Wilson City Manager that they are just approximates as there is nothing in the system showing exactly where the utilities are. Butch stated he felt that the gas and water lines looked good from his recollection of when he worked for the city.

Parkside Place II re-evaluations have been completed and now starting Parkside Place I evaluations.

Cintas came and inspected all the fire extinguishers and they are all good for another year.

Discussion of the article that was in the Garnett Review dated February 28<sup>th</sup>. There is incorrect information in there about the waiting list. The Review stated a waiting list for the subsidized apartments and that is incorrect it is for the straight rent apartments at Park Plaza North.

Julie Turnipseed came and discussed a meeting that occurred between her, and a private contractor and an opportunity to build more senior housing through grant money the state is offering. She stated several board members were contacted but only 1 was able to attend this meeting. Casey Smith was the one who attended. Betts stated she was invited the morning of the meeting but due to work and not having enough information she didn't feel she could approve of what was being presented. Julie also talked about the focus group meetings that will be occurring this week and asked who would be able to attend. Discussion about Julie not understanding that we are not a true Housing Authority and only manage and maintain the property that Park Plaza North and Parkside Place I & II are located at. Also discussion about

Julie feeling like we were not interested in building more. Karlyn stated that building is being explored and discussed. Betts stated she wasn't opposed to building, just wasn't comfortable with the information presented and needing to make a decision quickly. Butch expressed his concerns about building at this time with banks going under and the interest rates so high. He also stated he felt it was important to pay the bills first before incurring more debt. Casey stated he understood the hesitation as he too wasn't sure about the turnaround time for this particular situation. Also discussion about the housing study and all at the meeting are interested in seeing what the study shows. Julie will get a copy of the study to the board once it is completed and finalized.

Board went into Executive Session for tenant discussion @ 8:32pm for 10 minutes.

The board reconvened at 8:42pm.

Waiting list was reviewed

Financials were reviewed and questions answered

Casey motioned to adjourn the meeting Butch 2nd

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Minutes recorded by Karlyn Hulett Executive Director Garnett Housing Authority