

These minutes are not verbatim, but a condensed version of what transpired at the Lakewood Housing Authority (LHA) Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting held on Thursday, October 7th, 2021 at 7:02 pm.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mr. Stafford-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Teresa Acosta announced that consistent with the Open Public Meetings Law: P.L.1975 c231, which requires that all meetings of public bodies shall be open to the public at all times, both adequate and electronic notice of this meeting was provided to the clerk of the Township of Lakewood, the Ocean County Library, the Asbury Park Press, and the Star-Ledger on December 31st, 2020 and was posted on the Authority's official designated public bulletin board at the LHA Administration Building and website.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, attending Commissioners were:

Gregory Stafford-Smith – *Chairperson*

Shabsi Ganzweig – *Vice Chairperson*

Angela Caldwell – *2nd Vice Chairperson (via Zoom)*

Denise Douglas – *Commissioner (via Zoom)*

Gizel Torres – *Commissioner (via Zoom)*

Eli Rennert – *Commissioner (via Zoom – 7:18 pm)*

Also attending:

Scott Parsons – *Executive Director*

Terrence Corrison – *Attorney (via Zoom)*

Absent were:

Yehuda Gold – *Commissioner*

Ray Coles – *Township Liaison*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 2nd, 2021 were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Ganzweig, seconded by Ms. Douglas; all commissioners present were in favor. Minutes were approved.

COMMENTS FROM HOUSING AUTHORITY RESIDENTS - None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

BILLS AND APPROVAL OF SAME

Bills were reviewed. After discussion, a motion to approve was made by Mr. Ganzweig, seconded by Ms. Douglas; all commissioners present were in favor. Bills were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Parsons presented the Board with his Executive Directors report.

Mr. Parsons discussed the draft letter to Mayor Coles regarding the Lakewood Township Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the LHA's desire to see the plan modified to allow the LHA allocated funds to be utilized for other eligible purposes rather than reallocating LHA intended funds to other entities/agencies. The Board approved and agreed to have Mr. Parsons send the letter.

The new Tenant Portal was briefly discussed. Enrollment letters were in the process of being sent out to the LHA Project Based tenants and will be followed by the Housing Choice Voucher participants.