# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING SPRINGFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021 - 5:00 P.M.

The Springfield Housing Authority Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 24, 2021 at the SHA Administrative Office, 200 North Eleventh Street, Springfield, Illinois. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was also held via Zoom (telecommunication) and was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Ti

Chairman Timothy Schweizer (in-person)

Commissioner Dan Long (in-person)
Commissioner Luckist Turner (in-person)

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner William Gass

Staff Present:

Jackie Newman

Melissa Huffstedtler

Renee Bell

Michelle Sergent Wendy Mendenhall

Joe Antonacci

Jonathan Schienschang

Adrienne Grover Tamiko Bilbro

Robin Dowis

Darryl Jones Becky Stehman

Stacy Huebsch Karen Cliburn

Jessica Watson

David Herman Samantha Bobor

Rick Ray

Brenda Bruner

**Executive Director** 

**Deputy Director** 

Director of FSS

Director of Finance

Director of HR

Director of Mod/Dev

Construction Manager

Director of HCV HCV Manager

Asset Manager

Asset Manager

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Finance Manager Budget Manager

Contract Administration

Attorney

Attorney

Ray's Plumbing & Sewer Service

**Executive Assistant** 

## CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman read the following comment and then turned the meeting over to Director Newman:

This meeting is being conducted electronically pursuant to Executive Order 2020-07 signed by Governor Pritzker and guidance provided by Legal Counsel. More importantly, based on what we know now about the coronavirus pandemic and prudent precautions as a result thereof, this meeting is being conducted in a way to provide the maximum amount of protection to our Board, staff and the community. We apologize for any inconvenience to anyone, but we ask for your understanding and compliance temporarily. Thank you.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REMARKS**

Director Newman highlighted a few items from her report to the board:

- Occupancy Report Director commended staff for their continued hard work, keeping our occupancy rate at 98% and higher during the time of COVID
- HCV She also wanted to commend Desiree (and all staff that submitted information) for the completion of the newsletter that recently went out. Director stated that the Commissioners were given a copy. Adding that within this edition of the newsletter an article on an event that was held at Brandon Drive where some of the local police officers made themselves available to meet our clients that live in this neighborhood
- FSS Director Newman stated the focus for June, for this department, is homeownership.

Chairman asked Director to remind the Board when the office of SHA will be reopening. Director responded that June 7<sup>th</sup> is the date, and added, that though we are open, mask must still be worn by staff and clients.

With that, Director Newman stated her written report (submitted to the Board via email) stands as submitted.

## APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting - April 26, 2021

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long

SECOND: Commissioner Turner

**DISCUSSION:** None.

VOTES IN FAVOR: Schweizer, Long, and Turner

VOTES AGAINST: None

# **RESOLUTIONS AND BOARD ACTION**

RESOLUTION NO. 3425: APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH INNOVATIVE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF SIDING, WINDOWS, AND DOORS REPLACEMENT IN AMP 1 PROPERTIES IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$103,833.00

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long

SECOND: Chairman Schweizer

**DISCUSSION:** Jessica stated that Capital Funds will be used to complete this item, with AMP 1 being the most in need. She stated that 1,036 vendors viewed the RFP; 21 downloaded it; and 2 bids were submitted. Commissioner Long asked if there were three properties receiving these repairs. Jessica responded that there is a total of seven (7) units; of those seven, one would receive new windows.

VOTES IN FAVOR: Schweizer, Long, and Turner

VOTES AGAINST: None

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RESOLUTION NO. 3426: APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CLEETON CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROOF REPLACEMENT IN AMP 2 AND AMP 4 PROPERTIES IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$85,085.00 AND \$2.65 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR ANY PLYWOOD REPLACEMENT

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long

SECOND: Chairman Schweizer

**DISCUSSION:** Jessica stated that Capital Funds will also be used for these repairs within AMPS 2 and 4. There were 1,029 vendors who were notified and six (6) of these vendors submitted bids. Cleeton was evaluated as the most responsive. We have not worked with this vendor before, but did receive references from the city for work that they had completed for them; and our attorneys reviewed their bid.

VOTES IN FAVOR: Schweizer, Long, and Turner

VOTES AGAINST: None

RESOLUTION NO. 3427: APPROVING A CHANGE MODIFICATION OF PURCHASE REQUISITION 21-0071 WITH RICK RAY AND SONS, TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$44,750.00 TO COMPLETE THE REPAIRS OF THE SEWER LINE AT BRANDON COURT

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Long

SECOND: Chairman Schweizer

**DISCUSSION:** Joe reported that the Board had previously approved for repairs to the sewer lines in the Brandon Court area. Rick Ray and Sons started the repairs, looking for a blockage. He went on to say that the vendor found that the sewer line was blocked, but by the city line at the curb. Additional funds are needed to address this. Adding this amount to the previous resolution, the total cost to repair this sewer line would cost \$59,500.00. Jake Ray, owner of the company, stated that the line in the road was on top of the water main. He stated that they back-filled the initial holes that were made, then went to the area of concern (blockage) and added a lift-station. Commissioner Long stated to the vendor, that he was sure that they (the company) didn't make anything off of this project; to which Mr. Ray said that this was true—but it was necessary to make these repairs.

VOTES IN FAVOR: Schweizer, Long, and Turner

VOTES AGAINST: None

#### RESIDENT COUNCIL REPORTS

None.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Chairman stated that SHA received a great audit. Michelle responded that the HCV and PH staff should be commended on a job-well-done. The auditors gave high praise for the files that they audited.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Turner to adjourn and the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Brenda S. Bruner, Executive Assistant

Approved by:

SHA Board Chairman

SHA Board Secretary

June 28, 2021

Date

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