

Attleboro Housing Authority  
Board Meeting Minutes  
4/25/2024

Meeting was held virtually via GoToMeeting

Members present: Narvy Kes-Deslauriers, Steve DuPlessie, Cyndee Goodinson, Thomas Morin

Members absent: Jo-Ann Vaughn

I. Call to order: 5:46 pm by Chair Kes-Deslauriers

II. Approval of Minutes of March 25, 2025 meeting

Motion by Commissioner DuPlessie

Seconded by Commissioner Goodinson

Approval 4-0

III. Approval of Warrant #382 in the amount of \$276,363.00 and addendums.

Motion by Commissioner Goodinson

Seconded by Commissioner DuPlessie

Approval 4-0

IV. Attleboro Department of Health Presentation – Implementation of a non-smoking policy. Deputy Health Agent Sheri Miller Bedeau and Attleboro Health Nurse Allison Brum made a presentation to the Board regarding the importance of health imperatives to implementing a no smoking policy at all AHA developments. Ms. Brum reported that she often has difficulty servicing residents at our sites due to the odor of smoke. The Executive Director, although he expressed concerns regarding enforcement, was committed to moving ahead with a policy. Attorney Christopher Banthin from Health Resources in Action discussed challenges of enforcement but reiterated that once a policy is fully in place and expectations set, it will get easier. Lease addendums will be sent to the Executive Director for inclusion in recertification packets. The health nurse will provide the Executive Director with pamphlets and other literature for distribution to residents during upcoming meetings. August 1, 2024 was suggested as the start date but can also be September 1, 2024.

V. Executive Director Report

1. Budget Revision – necessitated due to a legal settlement payout as well as monies saved on the purchase of equipment.

Motion made by Commission Morin

Motion seconded by Commissioner DuPlessie

Approved 4-0

2. The Executive Director received the operating statements, the vacancy report and the RSC report. Vacancies are trending upward due to tenant deaths.

3. The Executive Director received the status of all the outstanding state funded projects.

- 016124 – River Court project – All contractor warranties have been rectified.
- 016167 – Door project at George Street. Doors will be delivered within three (3) weeks then will take a week to install.
- 016170 – Kitchen upgrade at 17 Peck Street. Awaiting substantial completion.

- 016171 – Retaining wall survey – Hillcrest Oaks. GSG Associates will be visiting property on 4/25/24.
- 016172 – Exterior siding at Brookside kickoff meeting scheduled for Monday, 4/29/24.

VI. Attleboro Tenants Association Ltd – no report

VII. Old business – none

VIII. New business

- Next meeting is May 23, 2024
- Commissioner DuPlessie sought clarification on board member terms of service. The Executive Director will reach out to the City Clerk and obtain that information.

IX. Resident comments – none

X. Adjourn

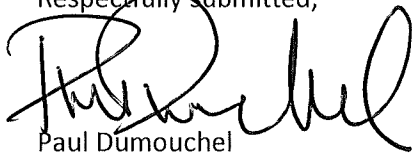
Motion made by Commissioner Morin to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Goodinson

Approved 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Dumouchel

Executive Director/Secretary