

**REGULAR MEETING
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF TRENTON
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020 12:00 PM
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 875 NEW WILLOW STREET**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Clifton Anderson, who announced it was to be noted in the Book of Minutes that the required 48 hours notice of this meeting was mailed to the offices of *The Times*, the *Trentonian* and the Clerk of the City of Trenton, as well as, having been posted in the main entrance of the Housing Authority in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law also known as the Sunshine Law.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Clifton Anderson, Chairman, Nikki Dotts, Shenette Gray, John C. Raines, Kim Taylor, Commissioners; and Jelani B. Garrett, Secretary/Executive Director

LATE: Gary Gentry, Commissioner arrived at 12:02 p.m.
Lee Ingram, Commissioner arrived at 12:07 p.m.

ABSENT:

Also Present: Grant Wright, Hill Wallack, LLP; Clifford Godfrey, Deputy Executive Director; Petrona Jerome, Asset Manager; Pamela Brooks, Manager of Resident Services; Kenneth Martin, Manager of Procurement & Contracts; Chrysti Huff, Redevelopment Project Manager; Francine Nalbene, Human Resources Specialist, Fateema Kirk, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Anderson asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Raines moved the motion to adopt the agenda for December 18, 2019; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Dotts and upon roll call the motion carried as follows:

	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINS</u>
Commissioner Dotts	1		
Commissioner Gentry	1		
Commissioner Gray	1		
Commissioner Raines	1		
Commissioner Taylor	1		
Commissioner Anderson	1		
Total	6	0	0

Chairman Anderson stated next is the approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on December 18, 2019. Chairman Anderson then asked for a motion to move the minutes. Commissioner Gray moved the motion for approval of the minutes; Commissioner Raines seconded the motion.

Chairman Anderson asked if there were any questions, seeing there were none he asked for the roll to be called and upon roll call the motion carried as follows:

	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINS</u>
Commissioner Dotts	1		
Commissioner Gentry	1		
Commissioner Gray	1		
Commissioner Raines	1		
Commissioner Taylor	1		
Commissioner Anderson	1		
Total	6	0	0

Minutes Approved.

Chairman Anderson then asked for the report of the Secretary.

Jelani B. Garrett, Executive Director/Secretary stated that Donnelly Homes has a newly formed Tenant Association. Those members are Darnella Cotes-White, President; Dorothy Lang, Vice President; Nikesia Dotts, Secretary; Twana Holman, Treasurer; and Virginia Marshall, Sergeant at Arms. Since all the members have not arrived yet, I will move on to the resolutions and Mr. Godfrey will swear them in once they arrive. This is a milestone as Donnelly Homes has not had a Tenant Association in a very long time.

Jelani B. Garrett, Executive Director/Secretary, called on Latrice Leggett to present Resolution 20-01.

Latrice Leggett, Finance Director introduced Resolution 20-01; approval of the disbursements for the month of December 2019 in the amount of \$1,319,857.05 and recommended that the Board approve Resolution. 20-01.

Chairman Anderson stated he would take a motion for Resolution 20-01. Commissioner Dotts moved the motion and Commissioner Raines seconded the motion for Resolution 20-01. Chairman Anderson asked if there were any questions. Seeing there were none, he called for the roll to be called and upon roll call the motion carried as follows:

<u>RESOLUTION 20-01</u>			
	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINS</u>
Commissioner Dotts	1		
Commissioner Gentry	1		
Commissioner Gray	1		
Commissioner Raines	1		
Commissioner Taylor	1		
Commissioner Anderson	1		
Total	6	0	0

Resolution Passed.

Jelani B. Garrett, Executive Director/Secretary introduced Resolution 20-02 appointing the Executive Director as THAs Fund Commissioner for the New Jersey Joint Insurance Fund (JIF). He explained that each year, we are required to appoint a Fund Commissioner to serve as a representative of JIF. Historically, it has been the Housing Authority's Executive Director who served as the JIF Fund Commissioner. JIF provides the Housing Authority's Workers Compensation Insurance.

Chairman Anderson stated he would take a motion for Resolution 20-02. Commissioner Raines moved the motion to appoint Jelani B. Garrett as Fund Commissioner for JIF and Commissioner Dotts seconded the motion. Chairman Anderson asked if there were any questions, seeing there were none he asked for the roll to be called and upon roll call the motion carried as follows:

	<u>RESOLUTION 20-02</u>		
	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINS</u>
Commissioner Dotts	1		
Commissioner Gentry	1		
Commissioner Gray	1		
Commissioner Raines	1		
Commissioner Taylor	1		
Commissioner Anderson	1		
Total	6	0	0

Resolution passed.

Jelani B. Garrett then called upon Clifford Godfrey to swear in the members of the new Tenant Association. He then asked for all of the members come forward. Clifford Godfrey had the members repeat the Oath after him.

Following the swearing in there was applause from the audience. A few members made statements and each member signed the required forms.

This concludes the report of the Secretary.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report at the time.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

There was nothing from the Chair this month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one in the audience requested to speak at this meeting.

There was no Executive Session requested this month so Chairman Anderson called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gray moved the motion; John Raines seconded the motion and upon a voice vote the motion carried as follows:

	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINS</u>
Commissioner Dotts	1		
Commissioner Gentry	1		
Commissioner Gray	1		
Commissioner Ingram	1		
Commissioner Raines	1		
Commissioner Taylor	1		
Commissioner Anderson	1		
Total	7	0	0

Meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Jelani B. Garrett.

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