# EAST WINDSOR HOUSING AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING — MAY 29, 2009 MINUTES

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE**

The special meeting of the East Windsor Housing Authority Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Karen Boutin. Commissioners LaMay, Lamb, Legassie and Percoski were in attendance.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

## A) BASE RENT INCREASE

The Public Hearing began with Chairman Boutin making the following statement:

The purpose of this meeting is to raise the base rent for the residents of Park Hill. Before I explain about the increase, let me say that we are one of the lowest base rents for Senior Housing around; most places are a lot higher that we are.

We take all of your annual income (social security, pensions, interest and wages if your are working), minus all of your non-reimbursed medical expenses to arrive at your adjusted income. The adjusted income is then divided by 12 (for 12 months) then multiplied by 30%; then the allowable utility allowance is subtracted and that total is the amount of rent that you pay each month. If the net rental charge is lower than the base rent which we are now proposing to be \$125/month for a single unit and \$141/month for a double unit, this is what you would pay.

Ms. Boutin went on further to say that she is applying for grants to improve the standard of living at Park Hill, such as roofs, windows, sidewalk repairs, storage units on the end of all apartments, new stoves, refrigerators and air conditioners. She also stated that she is in negotiations with the Town of East Windsor to reduce the percentage that we now pay for the PILOT program.

When Ms. Boutin had finished with her statements, the floor was opened to the tenants who were present. There was a general discussion among the tenants and the Commissioners present regarding various subjects already presented, i.e PILOT program and replacement of certain appliances – there was basically no questions regarding the increase of the base rent and the general consensus was that if it needed to be done, then just do it.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Percoski, seconded by Commissioner LaMay to adjourn the special meeting of the East Windsor Housing Authority Board of Commissioners at 7:25 p.m.

Percoski/LaMay

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Kelly Recording Secretary