

West Boylston Housing Authority

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MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2008 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING HELD AT 87 MAPLE STREET, ORCHARD KNOLL, AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Menard, Chairman

Eva Gambaccini, Asst Chairman

Joan Welsh, Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rich Duguay, Treasurer

Emily Witkus, Asst Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT: Anita Sullivan, Executive Director

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman, Paul Menard.

New Business:

There was a Community Preservation Board Public Hearing on September 8, 2008. Joan continues to sit on that Board and Eva and Anita went to attend to try to get a better feel for what type of involvement the Town is looking for. The Board spoke a bit about different ways in which other towns are using funds to add units to their affordable housing stock. After a discussion on some of the ideas it was decided that the issue would continue at the next Board meeting.

Anita has started to look into recycling programs that Allied Waste offers.

The senior meals program was relocated to the Hartwell Street location. A thank you note was received, addressed to the Board and Director for their patience and assistance during the time they used our facilities.

The new Budget guidelines were received and there will be no increase in any non-utility budget items, with the exception of payroll if it can fit within the ANUEL spending caps.

Unfinished Business:

The topic of the Housing Authority's mission statement was postponed until next meeting. The Board members continue to assess how the Authority will best serve the

West Boylston community and will form a mission statement when the direction is clearly defined. Last month's meeting with Leon Gaumond and Mr DiPietro was productive and informative and made clearer where the Housing Authority might best assist in helping the Town reach its affordable housing goals.

Maintenance Report

The plumbing issue in Apt #20. The concrete was removed for the pipe repair. Costs were estimated to be \$2600, but fortunately were kept to \$2200.

Chuck Strong, Maintenance Supervisor, will be attending the MAHAMS seminar at Seacrest from 9/14-9/16/08.

Executive Director's Report

The September NAHRO newsletters were reviewed and discussed.

The September 2008 checks were signed and distributed for the Board's review.

Review & Approval of Minutes

Joan Welsh made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 13, 2008. Eva Gambaccini seconded the motion. All in favor.

Adjournment

Eva Gambaccini made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Joan Welsh seconded the motion. All in favor.

Executive Director

Respectfully submitted.