

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Donna McMaster called the Regular Public Housing meeting to order at 11:39 AM.

Members Present: Donna McMaster, Chairperson; Linda Bowie, Vice-Chairperson; Terry Braun, Secretary; Greg Lemke, City Council Liaison;

Members Absent: Becky Cusey, Commissioner; Abner Arauza, Commissioner

Others Present: Sally Roe, Housing Manager/Interim Executive Director; Toni Vondal, Rental Assistance Coordinator

II. REQUEST APPROVAL OF July 26, 2011 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

Bowie moved, seconded by Braun to approve the Minutes of July 26, 2011. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

III. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Braun moved, seconded by Bowie to approve the payment of bills as presented. All votes were in favor. Motion Carried.

IV. AGENDA AMENDMENTS

Sel Nygard, resident of River View Heights provided his list of concerns to the PHA Board and is requesting a special meeting with the Board to discuss his concerns.

V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None.

VI. BUSINESS:

A. Term Dates for MPHA Board of Directors

Becky Cusey will shorten term to 2013. Terry Braun will shorten term to 2014, and Donna McMaster will shorten to 2015.

B. Proposal for Electrical Engineering Services for Modernization of River View Heights.

Roe stated we are going to work on the bus duct system at the high rise, with our next round of capital funds. MPHA received 2 proposal's for Electrical Engineering and over site of the project. One from LKA Engineers, Inc, and the other from Vareberg Engineering, Ltd. LKA's hourly rates are slightly less and Roe recommend acceptance of LKA's proposal.

Braun moved to approve the Proposal from LKA Engineers, Inc for Electrical Engineering Services, seconded by Bowie. All votes were in favor. Motion Carried.

C. MN NAHRO Annual Conference & Training

Roe asked for up to two staff members and two commissioners attend the MN NAHRO conference in September. She went on to say we haven't had a commissioner attend for a long time, and there is money set aside in the budget for training. Roe said it's a good way to see what other Agencies are doing.

Braun, moved that Sally Roe and Donna McMaster attend the Annual NAHRO Conference in Duluth, MN, seconded by Bowie. All votes were in favor. Motion Carried.

D. Request for Special Meeting

Roe stated that Sel Nygard brought in his list of concerns and also requested that his "Thoughts and Concerns for Moorhead, dated July 26, 2011" be given to each MPHA Board member.

Board discussion as to a request for a special meeting was that our meetings are public and Mr. Nygard could have presented his list of concerns himself at a regular meeting. Discussion continued with the consensus being that a time would be looked into for a meeting at the high rise so all residents could be heard.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

Roe said she has talked with representatives from both Bremer Bank and Wells Fargo Bank, about getting our trust accounts into higher interest bearing accounts. She went on to say that we may need to do more research as to the investment policy and HUD regulations.

VIII. Reports and Information

Consulting Proposal:

Ed Goodwin, is a consultant and sets up consortium's for agencies. The Clay County HRA contacted him, without notifying the Moorhead Public Housing Agency. The MPHA did not have knowledge of a consultant being hired prior to this.

Donna McMaster stated the way we found out about this process is not good timing considering most of the MPHA Board has been in place only a few months, and the new interim Director is also new to her position.

IX. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:17 PM.

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Donna McMaster - Chairman

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Terry Braun - Secretary