

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE EVERETT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**Tuesday August 31, 2021 AT 5:00 PM
393 FERRY STREET, EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS**

I. Roll Call: The Chairman asked the Secretary to call the Roll:

Present: Philip Colameta, John Barrett, Robert Norton, Dominic Puleo

Absent:

Others: Stephen Kergo, Executive Director, Francis J. LaRovere III, Legal Counsel, Roberta Correale, Assistant Director, Michelle Gouveia, Public Housing, Nicole DiPierro, Administrative Assistant, Chris Giarratana Maintenance Director

II. Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Barrett and second by Mr. Norton to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday July 27, 2021. Voice approved.

III. Director's Report:

In addition to the previously submitted written Executive Director report, Mr. Kergo provided an update on the speeding through the North Everett Development. Mr. Kergo spoke with Officer Gaff who stated, there was a study done last year by the Everett Police on the cars driving through Whittier Drive. The total driving through during that study were 2900 cars and 36 out 2900 cars were speeding, based on the low percentage of speeding the Everett Police Department cannot place assets at the location.

Mr. Kergo also mentioned that the union has given dates to meet to discuss the clerical contract and asked the Board to assign one or two members to sit in on negotiations with him. Mr. Kergo also mentioned to the Board that the camera system upgrade for Glendale Towers is schedule for the first week of September. Mr. Kergo informed the Board that EHA has been offered through Mass Area Planning Council a grant to provide Glendale Towers Free WIFI however it would involve going out to bid to get a bidder to do an install. There would be annual maintenance fee between \$16,000.00 and \$17,000.00. Discussion followed.

Board commented that price seemed excessive but asked the Director to continue looking into this. The Director also mentioned there is interest from another telecommunication company interested in bidding for rooftop space. Director will post a bid on this matter.

Before moving forward, Mr. Puleo commented on letter F of the Directors Report and asked why were the repairs on apartment 124LGledhill moving slowly. A discussion followed. Also Mr. Barrett commented on the letter C of the Director's Report and felt the estimated cost, to hire a fulltime security person seemed too high. A discussion followed.

Motion made by Mr. Colameta and seconded by Mr Norton to accept Directors Report, voice approved.

IV. Old Business:

V. New Business:

A. Resolution 2021-29: To approve the Executive Director recommendation for the promotion of Nicolas Olsen to the position of Maintenance Aid.

Motion made by Mr. Colameta and seconded by Mr. Barrett to approve **Resolution 2021-29:** To approve the Executive Director recommendation for the promotion of Nicolas Olsen to the position of Maintenance Aid.

The Chairman asked the Secretary to call the roll:

-Mr. Colameta, Yes

- Mr. Barrett, Yes

-Mr. Norton, Yes

- Mr. Puleo, Yes

4 yeas, 0 nays

B. Resolution 2021-30: To approve the write offs of Ch. 667-C Tenant Accounts Receivables effective as of August 31, 2021 in the total amount of Two Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars and Eight Cents (\$2900.08).

Motion Made by Mr. Colameta and seconded by Mr. Norton to approve **Resolution 2021-30:** To approve the write offs of Ch. 667-C Tenant Accounts Receivables effective as of August 31, 2021 in the total amount of Two Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars and Eight Cents (\$2900.08).

The Chairman asked the Secretary to call the roll:

-Mr. Colameta, Yes *- Mr. Barrett, Yes*
-Mr. Norton, Yes *- Mr. Puleo, Yes*
4 yeas, 0 nays

C. Resolution 2021-31: To approve the writing off of Ch. 200-C Tenant Accounts receivables effective as of August 31,2021 in the total amount of Nineteen Thousand, Nine Hundred, Ninety-Seven Dollars and Four Cents (\$19,997.04).

Motion made by Mr. Colameta and seconded by Mr. Barrett to approve **Resolution 2021-31:** To approve the writing off of Ch. 200-C Tenant Accounts receivables effective as of August 31,2021 in the total amount of Nineteen Thousand, Nine Hundred, Ninety-Seven Dollars and Four Cents (\$19,997.04).

The Chairman asked the Secretary to call the roll:

-Mr. Colameta, Yes *- Mr. Barrett, Yes*
-Mr. Norton, Yes *- Mr. Puleo, Yes*
4 yeas, 0 nays

VI. Discussion:

Mr. Colameta asked if the Director was planning on making any changes due to the increase in COVID cases. Discussion followed.

Next Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday September 28, 2021** at **5:00 pm.**

Adjournment

Motion made Mr. Colameta Seconded by Mr. Barrett to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 p.m., Voice approved.