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## **MINUTES**

July 22, 2013

3:30 P.M.

A meeting of the Housing Authority was held on June 24, 2013 in the offices of the Housing Authority at 80 Chestnut Street, Winsted, CT.

Vice Chairman Iacino called the meeting to order. Present were Messer's Kelsey, Iacino, Hunt, and Newman.

Commissioner Mickley made a motion to accept the Minutes of the June 24, 2013 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and unanimously approved.

Mr. Newman provided a financial status review of all entities of the WHA. He detailed where there had been over expenditures and where/why the specific dollars had been spent. He then reviewed with the Board the status of all cash and checking accounts. He updated the CFP stating the final bid was due by the end of the day for the smoke alarm system. He reminded the Board that the prolonged bidding and project planning for this project had been caused by the discovery of asbestos in the ceilings of the hallways. He also updated the Tax dollar and water/sewer payments to the Town over that past year. Commissioner Kelsey remarked that there ought to be a way of expressing this value that the Housing Authority contributes to the Town. Mr. Newman told the Board that a past Town Manager, Wayne Dove, whose background was finance, had encouraged this kind of presentation.

Housing Wait Lists continue to show high numbers, and the Section 8 Program awaits a final decision by the HUD, Hartford office as to the date of transfer. On that note, Mr. Newman informed the Board the Programs Director of HUD, Hartford, Ms. Jennifer Gottlieb, had visited the WHA on the previous Thursday to discuss the options for transfer of the Section 8 program. He remarked that Ms. Gottlieb had sounded him out on the benefits of transferring the program to Torrington. He added that the WHA waited for her decision to allow the transfer on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> or Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

Under Old Business, Mr. Newman reported that there was to be a meeting with a judge dealing with the fair housing complaint on Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>.

Under New Business Mr. Newman reported that the State Dept. of Housing had approved the Management Plan for Greenwoods Garden North.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kelsey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Kelsey and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted, Fred W. Newman, Executive Director