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Winchester Housing Authority
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
March 22, 2021
3:00 p.m.
80 Chestnut Street
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1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 2:55 p.m. by Commissioner Joseph Lemelin.

In attendance were: Joseph Lemelin, Treasurer, Sally Mangione, Commissioner; Betty Button, Resident Commissioner; Linda Groppo, Board Liaison and Jayne Martignoni, Executive Director.

Absent: Anthony Paige, Chairman and Neil Kelsey, Vice-Chairman.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the February 23, 2021 Regular Board Meeting:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Mangione and Seconded by Commissioner Button to approve the Minutes of the February 23, 2021, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. All were in favor.

3. Report of Financial Budgets/Statements for February 28, 2021:

The Executive Director reported that, to date, we are within the current budget. She also reported the total current Reserves of the Winchester Housing Authority as of February 28, 2021.

4. Old Business:

a. Update Elevator Project at Chestnut Grove:

The Executive Director reported that the Construction Manager from Burlington Construction is in the process of getting the permits from the Town of Winchester and outlining a construction timeline for Winchester Housing Authority.

b. 2021 Capital Fund Update:

The Executive Director reported that Winchester Housing Authority received an award in the amount of \$207,689.00 for the 2021 Capital Fund Grant. The largest amount ever awarded to the Winchester Housing Authority from the Capital Fund Grant.

5. Executive Director's Report for March 22, 2021:

The Executive Director further explained a few items on the Executive Director's Report.

6.) Public Comments:

Linda Groppo, Board Liaison, expressed concern by Mayor Perez regarding the residents of Greenwoods Garden not having a generator and expressed that she is concerned about the current generator at Chestnut Grove and the fact that it should be upgraded.

The Executive Director explained the Winchester Housing Authority is one community. The residents of Greenwoods Garden are welcome to use the Chestnut Grove Community room generator when there is a power outage at the Greenwoods Garden community. Mayor Perez is concerned that the generator services only the Community Room at Chestnut Grove and asked what oxygen dependent residents do during a power outage. The Executive Director explained that the generator at Chestnut Grove powers the hallways on each floor as well as the kitchen area in the Community Room. The residents that are oxygen dependent have heavy duty extension cords and they plug them into designated outlets in the hallways in order to power only medical equipment.

Commissioner Button explained that during the last power outage people congregated in the Community Room at Chestnut Grove. Tenants emptied their freezers and refrigerators before their food spoiled and they cooked in the community room. The one resident from Greenwoods Garden who is oxygen dependent stayed at Chestnut Grove and didn't seem to have any issues with it.

Mayor Perez added a note to the Annual Plan for the Capital Fund regarding the tenants at Greenwoods Garden and the fact that they should have a generator at Greenwoods Garden as well.

6. Adjournment:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Mangione, Seconded by Commissioner Lemelin to adjourn the meeting at 3:19 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jayne Martigneni
Executive Director