

**ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2016 12:00 PM
675 WEST MAIN STREET
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14611**



MEMBERS PRESENT

George Moses, Chair
John Page, Vice-Chair
Calvin Lee, Jr., Commissioner
Willie E. Otis, Commissioner
Sara Valencia, Commissioner
Rosemary Rivera, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Burr
Paul Foti
Sandra Whitney
John Mooney
Linda Stango
Mike Gallo
Melissa Berrien
Ashley Traynum
Janis M. White
Pierre Dorancy
Becky Maslowski
Shanna Cranmer

OTHERS PRESENT

Edward Trevvett, RHA Legal Counsel
Heather Amidon, AP Safety and Security
Mike Kinnerknecht, Tipping Point

OTHERS

Chair Moses called the February 2016 RHA Regular Board Meeting to order at 12:07 PM. He noted for the record that notice of this meeting was posted as required by law and there was a quorum present.

1. **Open Forum – Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

2. **Approval of Minutes: January Regular Board Meeting**

Commissioner Otis moved and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion to approve the minutes for January 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Valencia, Commissioner Page, and Commissioner Rivera concurred. The motion was passed.

3. **Director's Report and Board Approval Requests**

- a. Interim Executive Director Shawn Burr presented his director's report on the following topics:
1. Welcoming of staff members attending the Board Meeting.
 2. Our strategic plan consultant, The Bronner Group. Bronner sent a draft on RHA Goal Tracker, which has all of the goals and action items that were discussed in previous meetings. The Goal Tracker outlined the individuals and units that will oversee the implementation and recommendations.
 3. An interview team is in the process of interviewing for the Director of Leasing Operations. There were 68 applicants and 6 met the minimum qualifications.
 4. The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) cap has increased to 281 due to the closing of a RAD conversion at the Cedars of Chili apartment complex. The cap increase is good news for the community; this will allow RHA to assist more people in need.
 5. Leasing Operation and the inspection staffs are continuously working hard to house participants. Special programs staff works with partner agencies to house participants through Shelter Plus Care, HUD-VASH, Family Unification (FUP) and Section 8 MOD Rehab Programs.
 6. HUD has started to issue funding amounts for various programs. RHA will receive an additional \$182K in Capital funding for being designated as a High Performer.

b. Board Approvals of Requests as follows:

i. Jonathan Child Exterior Repairs – Capital Project

Commissioner Valencia moved and Commissioner Otis seconded a motion to approve this request. Commissioner Page, Commissioner Rivera, and Commissioner Lee, concurred. The motion passed.

ii. 54-66 Garson Ave Interior/Exterior Improvement – Capital Project

Commissioner Valencia moved and Commissioner Rivera seconded a motion to approve this request. Commissioner Page, Commissioner Lee, and Commissioner Otis, concurred. The motion passed.