

**ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**October 26, 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  
Hershel Patterson, Commissioner  
Rosemary Rivera, Commissioner  
Sara Valencia, Commissioner  
Willie Otis Commissioner

**STAFF PRESENT**

Melissa Berrien  
Shawn Burr  
Paul Foti  
Jacquetta Harris  
Cynthia Herriott  
John Hill  
Rashondra Martin  
Linda Stango  
Janis White  
Sandra Whitney

**OTHERS PRESENT**

H Todd Bullard, RHA Legal Counsel  
Heather Amidon  
Bill Slocum

Chair Moses called the October's RHA Regular Board Meeting to order at 12:00 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**

Bill Slocum provided public comments about RHA's Health Care options.

2. **Elected Commissioners Oath**

Chairman Moses swore in Commissioner Patterson and Commissioner Otis.

3. **Approval of Minutes: September Regular Board Meeting**

Commissioner Rivera moved, and Commissioner Otis seconded the motion to approve the minutes for the September 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patterson, Commissioner Page, Commissioner Valencia, Commissioners Otis, and Commissioner Rivera voted yes. The motion was passed.

4. Director's Report and Board Approval Requests

a. Executive Director John Hill presented his director's report on the following topics:

1. Mr. Hill presented on the Move to Work (MTW) program and how RHA can benefit from this program. Moving to Work (MTW) is a demonstration program for public housing authorities (PHAs) that provide them the opportunity to design and test innovative, locally-designed strategies that use Federal dollars more efficiently. MTW also help residents find employment and become self-sufficient and increase housing choices for low-income families. MTW gives PHAs exemptions from many existing public housing and voucher rules and more flexibility with how they use their Federal funds. MTW PHAs are expected to use the opportunities presented by MTW to inform HUD about ways to better address local community needs.

b. Board Approvals of Requests as follows:

i. Tipping Point New Contract – Executive

Commissioner Page moved, and Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion to approve this request. Commissioner Page, Commissioner Rivera, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Valencia, and Commissioner Patterson voted yes. The motion was passed.

ii. Retiree Medical Insurance (Retirees >65 yrs.) – HR

Commissioner Page moved, and Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion to approve this request. Commissioner Page, Commissioner Rivera, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Valencia, Commissioners Otis, and Commissioner Patterson voted yes. The motion was passed.

iii. Employee Medical Insurance (Active Union Employees & Retirees < 65 yrs.) – HR

Commissioner Valencia moved, and Commissioner Page seconded the motion to approve this request. Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patterson, Commissioner Page, Commissioner Valencia, Commissioner Otis and Commissioner Rivera voted yes. The motion was passed.

iv. Employee Medical Insurance (Active Non-Union Employees & Retirees < 65 yrs.) – HR

Commissioner Valencia moved, and Commissioner Page seconded the motion to approve this request. Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patterson, Commissioner Page, Commissioner Valencia, Commissioner Otis and Commissioner Rivera voted yes. The motion was passed.