



ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY

August 24, 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

Hershel Patterson, Commissioner

Rosemary Rivera, Commissioner

Sara Valencia, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT

Melissa Berrien

Shawn Burr

Paul Foti

Mike Gallo

Jacquetta Harris

Cynthia Herriott

John Hill

Rashondra Martin

John Mooney

Linda Stango

Ashley Traynum

Janis White

Sandra Whitney

Jaquana Jones

OTHERS PRESENT

H Todd Bullard, RHA Legal Counsel

Jamie Frumusa, Tipping Point

OTHERS

Bonnie Cannan

Ms. Cheryl Thompson

Chair Moses called the August 2016, 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**

Bonnie Cannan would like Public Housing to have reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities to be allowed to have pets. She is concerned about the length of time that Section 8 has been closed.

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

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

3. **Introduction of the New Executive Director John N. Hill & The Executive Staff**

John Hill presented that he is excited to be part of the Rochester Housing Team. He thanked Shawn Burr for the tremendous job during his tenure as the interim Executive Director.

Commissioners Moses introduced Paul Foti, Director of Operations, Shawn Burr, Deputy Executive Director, Rashondra Martin, Executive Personnel Administrator, and Cynthia Herriott-Sullivan, Diversity Compliance & Inclusion Officer.

4. **Introduction of Ms. Thompson Family Self-Sufficiency Program Participant**

a. Ms. Thompson was presented with a certificate for successfully completing the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program. Jaquanda Jones, Housing Specialist, identified Ms. Thompson as a July 31, 2016, graduate from the program.

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

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

1. Strategic Plan Management, he will make the modification to the reporting structure. The agency-wide Town Hall meetings are scheduled, and he planned to do 4 per week.
2. Resident Town Hall Meeting, he planned to visit developments to discuss residents' concerns and issues.
3. Procurement Policy updates will be completed and submitted to the Board of Commissioners at the November Board Meeting.