

**ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

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675 WEST MAIN STREET
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14611**



MEMBERS PRESENT

George Moses, Chair
Hershel Patterson, Commissioner
Calvin Lee Commissioner
Tynise Edwards
Willie Otis
Rosemary Rivera

STAFF PRESENT

John Hill
Shawn Burr
Melissa Berrien
C. Clarke
Mike Gallo
George Getman
Jacquetta Harris
Cynthia Herriott
Jaquanda Jones
Linda Kellogg
Rashondra Martin
Paula Mortier
Donna Smith
Linda Stango
Ali Subhani
Evhen Tupis
Janis White
Harold Zink
Diana Colon

OTHERS PRESENT

H. Todd Bullard, RHA Legal Counsel
Jamie Frumusa

Chair Moses called the February Rochester Housing Authority (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 is a quorum present.

1. **Open Forum – Public Comments**

Linda Koroma tenant of Southeastern Towers dropped off documents for her complaint on Conifer. She states the tenants are having breathing issues from the mold in their building. They continue to be harassed by Conifer; Conifer is trying to convince some of the tenants to sign off on the RAD Units Conversion. She believes that Conifer is violating their rights for proper ventilation. She states that Southview Towers was sited

with 317 violations, including poor air ventilation. Linda Koroma left the pictures of the mold condition in the units with the Executive Office; she will send video footage to RHA.

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

Commissioner Otis moved, and Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of February 2018, Regular Board Meeting. Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Patterson, and Commissioner Rivera, Commissioner Otis, and Commissioner Edwards voted yes. The motion was passed.

3. Successful graduates of the FSS program; Monique Mewborn and Melissa Berrien introduced Ms. Bush and Ms. Lewis. Ms. Bush earned a Bachelor's Degree in Health Science from SUNY Brockport. She would like to give back to the community. She also will be closing on a house.

Ms. Lewis received her degree from MCC as a Stenographer. She completed her certification from NYS Child Care and will be starting her business Lili Bugs Childcare.

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

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

1. John Hill and the City of Rochester met with HUD Buffalo to discuss various funding matters on January 26, 2018. He inquired about the pending Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA's). HUD didn't have any information on when the notice will be published. On January 31, 2018, John Hill met with Mayor Lovely Warren to share her expectation and vision for the City of Rochester (CoR) and Rochester Housing Authority (RHA). She is interested in conducting Best Practice with other Housing Authorities. The Housing Quality Standard (HQS) Inspectors mandatory training was to ensure compliance and consistency when they conduct inspections.

- b. Board Action Request

i. **Lena Gantt Roof and Siding Replacement Phase III – Capital Projects**

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