

**MINUTES OF THE ASBURY PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 23, 2023**

The session convened at 6:02 pm with the following persons present:

**Present:**

Chairman Gregory Hopson, Sr.

Commissioner Angeline Brown

Commissioner Charlotte McAllister

Commissioner Nina M. Summerlin

Commissioner Carol Torre

Commissioner Donna Troppoli

**Absent:**

Vice Chairman Garrett M. Giberson

**Also Present:**

Thomas Sahlin, Executive Director

Qaasim Johnson, Director of Housing

Edwin McDonald, Director of Maintenance

Serena DiMaso, Legal Counsel Associate

Robert Devaney, Legal Counsel Associate

**Salute to the Flag led by:** Thomas Sahlin

**Required Public Notice** read by Thomas Sahlin.

**NOTICE:** In accordance with the Local Public Meetings Act of 1975 and as *amended*, advanced notice of the meeting including the agenda, was sent to the local newspapers, delivered to the City Clerk's Office, and posted at all Asbury Park Housing Authority Offices at least (48) hours prior to convening the meeting.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**(Motion to Open Public Participation moved by Commissioner McAllister and seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.)**

**Robin Burge, Robinson Towers** – Extermination issues, fire alarm frequency, and security concerns with people sleeping in the hallways.

**Thomas McClain, Robinson Towers** – Tenant Association space.

**Dan Steele, Robinson Towers** – Fire Alarm frequency, garbage chutes

**Valarie Williams, Robinson Towers** – Laundry room issues with machines breaking down.

**Annette Harrell, Asbury Park Village** – Family site laundry room security safety, presence of staff amongst tenants, Lumley A & B safety/security, bus stop safety for children on Atkins Ave., noise complaints, and drug activity.

**(Motion to Close Public Participation moved by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner McAllister.)**

Chairman Hopson – Items two and three which will be the budgets for HUD and DCA, I am moving to table those until the next meeting to allow more time for people to review.

Commissioner Troppoli – If we voted on it in the February meeting, these are due at the end of March?

Chairman Hopson - Yes, and our next meeting is in two weeks.

Commissioner Troppoli – Ok, I was just curious about when the deadline was.

Thomas Sahlin – I am going to reach out to DCA tomorrow morning to let them know it has been tabled. Technically, the approval is January and the adoption would be March. We can still move to February and the adopt March.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 12, 2022.**

**(There were no further discussions or comments on this from the Commissioners.)**

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chairman Giberson

Abstain- None

### **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD DECEMBER 12, 2022.**

**(There were no further discussions or comments on this from the Commissioners.)**

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

### **RESOLUTION 01-01-2023 - RESOLUTION APPROVING EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022, INCLUDING SECTION 8 EXPENDITURES.**

(Acceptance of this Resolution moved by Commissioner McAllister and seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.)

**(There were no further discussions or comments on this Resolution from the Commissioners.)**

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

**RESOLUTION 01-02-2023 - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ASBURY PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY'S FYE 3-31-2024 OPERATING BUDGET AND SUBMITTAL TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD). (TABLED)**

(This Resolution was tabled by Chairman Hopson and seconded by Commissioner McAllister.)

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

**RESOLUTION 01-03-2023 - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ASBURY PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY'S FYE 3-31-2024 OPERATING BUDGET AND SUBMITTAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (DCA). (TABLED)**

(This Resolution was tabled by Chairman Hopson and seconded by Commissioner McAllister.)

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

**RESOLUTION 01-04-2023 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO OCEANS FAMILY SUCCESS CENTER FOR RESIDENT SERVICE COORDINATING SERVICES FOR VARIOUS ASBURY PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY SITES.**

(Acceptance of this Resolution moved by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.)

Commissioner McAllister – The contract is \$70,000.00?

Thomas Sahlin - Not to exceed.

Commissioner McAllister – Ok, will this be billed monthly?

Amy, Oceans – It has not been finalized yet but I believe it will be monthly.

Commissioner McAllister – Ok.

**(There were no further discussions or comments on this Resolution from the Commissioners.)**

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

**(Motion to Close Public Session and Open Executive Session moved by Commissioner McAllister and seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.)**

**(Motion to Re-Open Public Session moved Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.)**

**Chairman Hopson** - Can I have a motion and a second to adopt a resolution accepting Hatfield and Swartz as our investigating firm, with a fee not to exceed \$15,000.00?

(Moved by Commissioner Troppoli, seconded by Commissioner Summerlin.)

Ayes- Commissioners Brown, McAllister, Summerlin, Torre, Troppoli, and Chairman Hopson

Opposed- None

Absent- Vice Chair Giberson

Abstain- None

**Motion to close Board of Commissioner's Meeting of January 2023, moved by Chairman Hopson, seconded by Commissioner Troppoli.**

All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned, 7:04 pm

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Thomas Sahlin, Executive Director

Date