

MINUTES OF THE LONG BRANCH HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD JANUARY 21, 2020

The Meeting Convened at 5:00 PM with the following persons present:

Carl Jennings, Chairman
Nekesha Marshall, Vice-Chairman
Donald Covin, Commissioner
Dorthia Johnson, Commissioner
Maritza Berrios, Commissioner
Anita Clavering, Commissioner

Absent: Robert Vignolini, Commissioner

Staff Present: Gloria J. Wright, Executive Director
Sophia Loren Banks, Executive Administrative Assistant
Katherine Young, Accounts Payable
Dan Marino, Maintenance Supervisor
Takia Walker, Director of Management
Iris Blanco, Director of Housing Choice Voucher Program

The Chairman Jennings announced that all cell phones be turned off or put on vibrate for the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER - BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT: (READ BY ATTORNEY JOSEPH MANFREDI)

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, posted on the Long Branch Housing Authority Web Site, and posted at all Long Branch Housing Authority Offices at least (48 hours prior to the convening of the meeting).

VICE-CHAIRMAN MARSHALL LED THE SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

Gloria J Wright, Executive Director opened the meeting with Roll Call. Commissioners present and absent are listed above.

ADOPTION OF THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2019

Commissioner Covin made a motion to approve and accept the minutes of the public session of the regular meeting held December 16, 2019, second by Vice-Chairman Marshall.

Roll Call Vote Taken:

Ayes, Commissioners Johnson, Berrios, Covin, Clavering, Vice-Chairman Marshall and Chairman Jennings.

Opposed, None.

Abstain, None

Absent, Commissioners Vignolini

Motion, Carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT:

Executive Director Wright provided the board with relevant activities and news for the month of December 2019. Executive Director Wright outlined and summarized the Executive Director's Report provided to the Board.

Resolution 01-01-2020 - Resolution approving the list of bills for December 2019, and authorizing the payment of bills

Vice-Chairman Marshall stated that finance committee has reviewed the List of bills with the Finance Department and that all questions have been satisfied. Vice-Chairman Marshall requested a motion to accept and approve Resolution 01-01-2020 the List of Bills in the amount of **\$1,194,420.24**, Vice-Chairman Marshall motioned, **seconded** by Commissioner Covin.

Ayes, Commissioners Johnson, Berrios, Covin, Clavering, Vice-Chairman Marshall and Chairman Jennings.

Opposed, None.

Abstain, None

Absent, Commissioners Vignolini

Motion, Carried.

Public comment was called on this Resolution and this Resolution only, with no response.

Resolution 01-02-2020 - Resolution authorizing the transaction, authorizing a contract for extermination and pest control, authorizing an expenditure of funds in an amount not to exceed \$59,644 per year, subject to appropriations, authorizing an expenditure of funds, subject to appropriations

Vice-Chairman Marshall made a motion to approve and accept Resolution 01-02-2020 second by Commissioner Johnson.

Roll Call Vote Taken:

Ayes, Commissioners Johnson, Berrios, Covin, Clavering, Vice-Chairman Marshall and Chairman Jennings.

Opposed, None.

Abstain, None

Absent, Commissioners Vignolini

Motion, Carried.

Public comment was called on this Resolution and this Resolution only, with no response.

Chairman Jennings requested a motion to go into Public Session. Commissioner Covin made a motion to go into Public Session, seconded by Vice-Chairman Marshall.

Vincent LePore of Long Branch, 33 Ocean Terrace, approached the Board to discuss Shared Services to with the City of Long Branch, the development along Ocean Boulevard, the affordable housing unit allocation by the Kushner Family developers and the developer's tax abatement.

Chairman Jennings requested a motion to go close Public Session. Commissioner Covin made a motion to go into Public Session, seconded by Vice-Chairman Marshall.

Resolution 01-03-2020 – Resolution authorizing a Closed Session of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners on January 21, 2020

Commissioner Covin made a motion to approve and accept Resolution 01-03-2020 second by Vice-Chairman Marshall.

Ayes, Commissioners Johnson, Berrios, Covin, Clavering, Vice-Chairman Marshall and Chairman Jennings.

Opposed, None.

Abstain, None

Absent, Commissioners Vignolini

Motion, Carried.

Added Starter - Resolution 01-04-2020 - Resolution approving and authorizing settlement in the matter of Karen A. Rivera v. Long Branch Housing Authority, DCR Docket No. HN25HL-67669 and HUD Number 02-20-4628-8.

Vice-Chairman Marshall made a motion to approve and accept Resolution 01-04-2020 second by Commissioner Covin.

Ayes, Commissioners Johnson, Berrios, Covin, Clavering, Vice-Chairman Marshall and Chairman Jennings.

Opposed, None.
Abstain, None
Absent, Commissioners Vignolini
Motion, Carried.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

NO COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further matters of discussion for the Board of Commissioners Meeting of January 21, 2020 Commissioner Covin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairman Marshall.

All in Favor, All Ayes
Opposed, None
Absent, None
Motion, Carried

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:30PM.

Gloria J Wright, Secretary

Date