

THE MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF  
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE  
CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND  
HELD ON THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF APRIL, 2008

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Newport, Rhode Island met in special session at the Administration Office, 120B Hillside Ave., Newport, Rhode Island on April 21, 2008 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT:	Commissioner	Jan Shapin
	"	Rodney P. Bowley
	"	John J. Crowley, Jr.
	"	Frank Coleman
	"	Constance Vergowven
	"	Frank McCauley
	"	Cheryl Abney

ALSO PRESENT:	Attorney	Joseph J. Nicholson, Jr.
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ABSENT:	None
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The NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING with the CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING, attached hereto, was read and ordered spread upon the Minutes of this Special Meeting and filed for the record.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To:	Jan Shapin	Frank Coleman
	Rodney P. Bowley	Constance Vergowven
	John J. Crowley, Jr.	Frank McCauley
		Cheryl Abney

You are hereby notified that the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Newport, Rhode Island are scheduled to meet in special session on **Monday, April 21, 2008** at **4:30 p.m.** at the Administration Office, 120B Hillside Ave. Newport, Rhode Island for the following purpose:

- 1) Executive Session –Closed Session in Accordance with RIGL §42-46-5 (5):
  - Land Disposition
    - HUD 811
    - MET School
    - Boys & Girls Club
- 2) In accordance with RIGL §42-46-5 (a) (2): Collective Bargaining
- 3) Action Items:
  - a) Tandem Care, Inc. – Approval of Report
  - b) Salary Ranges – Approval
- 4) Return to Open Session

Upon a motion by Commissioner Bowley, seconded by Commissioner Crowley and unanimously carried, to enter in Executive Session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a) (2): for purpose of collective bargaining.

The Board returned to Open Session and the Chair announced the Board voted to identify the Beacon Street Parcel as the proposed site in its HUD 811 application.

The Board authorized the Secretary to enter into negotiations with the MET School for the school's proposed expansion on land leased from the Authority. The Secretary will provide the Board with the details and terms as they get closer to being finalized.

The Board discussed a request from the Boys and Girls Club to explore expansion opportunities at the Florence Gray Center. No action would be taken by the Authority for the next six months while the Authority explores funding opportunities for any improvements and renovations. If unsuccessful in receiving the funding, the Boys & Girls Club would be interested in starting a capital campaign for any expansion.

The Board received a report from Tandem Care, Inc. who is conducting a wage survey and fringe benefit analysis for the Authority. It approved the job descriptions within the report.

The Board discussed the status of the collective bargaining sessions with the Teamsters Local 251.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.