

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND
HELD ON THE TENTH DAY OF MARCH 2011

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Newport, Rhode Island met in regular session at the Administration Office, Newport, Rhode Island at 5:00 p.m. on March 10, 2011.

Roll call followed the Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer:

PRESENT:	Chair	Frank Landry
	Commissioner	Frank Coleman
	“	Frank McCauley
	“	Cheryl Abney
	“	Amanda Frye Leinhos

ABSENT: Constance Vergowven

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Joseph J. Nicholson, Jr.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Frye Leinhos, and unanimously carried the minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on February 10, 2011 were approved.

The monthly bills report was presented to the Commissioners.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Abney, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, payment of the bills was approved.

II). The Secretary requested approval for the following payments:

- a). Authorization and approval for change order #24 to Pezzuco Construction in the amount of \$16,700 for Phase 2B.
- b). Authorization and approval for payment #06 to Pezzuco Construction in the amount of \$39,083 for Phase 2B.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Abney, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, the above payments were approved.

III). The Secretary requested approval of Resolution 1059 approving the 2011-2012 Operating Budget.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, authorization to approve the operating budget.

The Secretary submitted to the Commissioners the Consent Calendar items which included the Finance Reports, Applications, Occupancy, Section 8 Report, February Collection/Loss Reports, Social Services Report, Elderly Services Coordinator Report and COP report.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, the above Consent Calendar items were received as read.

The Secretary presented to the Board an updated Capital/ARRA Projects report regarding the Park Holm Renovations, Phase 5 Demolition, Gray/Gallagher Building, Weatherization Grants, Visiting Nurse Leasehold Improvements, Coddington & Lo-Rise Door Replacement/Renovation, Architectural Services, EPC, and Park Holm Senior Center.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, that the report regarding the Capital/ARRA Project (s) updates were received as read.

Yvette Harris, of the Newport Resident Council, presented their monthly report to the Board.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, that the monthly report regarding the Newport Resident Council was received as read.

Commissioners' Requests:

1). Commissioner Abney requested authorization to develop and implement a plan similar to the HOPE VI/CSS services program funded through operating reserves in the amount of \$300,000. All Board members agreed, therefore after discussion upon a motion by Commissioner Abney, seconded by Commissioner Coleman, and unanimously carried, authorization to develop and implement a services program was approved.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, the Commission went into Executive Closed Session in accordance with RIGL § 42-46-5 (a) (2) Collective Bargaining.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Frye Leinhos, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, the Board returned to open session and the Chairman announced the basis of the discussion was related to the Teamsters Contract negotiations. An agreement was made to ratify the contract.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, the Executive Session adjourned at 6:10 p.m.