

**CENTRAL FALLS HOUSING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Minutes

October 17, 2007

Call to Order

Chairperson, Mr. Robert Salisbury called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Present were: Robert Salisbury, Chairperson

Sister Mary Gibson, Commissioner

Albert Laroche, Commissioner

Gladys Burns, Commissioner

Also present: Robert Girouard, Executive Director

Domenic Butler, Director of Operations

Susan Levasseur, Administrative Assistant

Excused: Charles Coelho, Commissioner

Approval of Minutes

Gladys Burns motioned to accept the minutes of the September 2007 meeting collectively, Sister Mary Gibson seconded and so it was voted 4-0.

Approval of Expenditures

Gladys Burns motioned to accept the Expenditures for September 2007, seconded by Albert Laroche, and so it was voted 4-0.

Administrative Report

Robert Girouard, Executive Director, briefs the board on some of the properties that the Central Falls Housing Authority has looked at for purchase. One of the properties is 14 Washington Street, which is located right next door. Although the location would be perfect, the asking price at this time is \$415,000.00. The CFHA made an offer of \$300,000.00; however, they did not accept this offer. We will wait to see if the listing price decreases and possibly make another offer at a later date. Another property that the CFHA is interested in is located on Valley Street. Mr. Girouard and Mr. Butler looked into this house

and it was found to be in good shape. We are not too sure what our next move will be in regards to this, however, we are keeping open minded and will keep the board posted on any developments. We have been actively looking for property and hopefully will be able to make some developments work within our means. The RFP for legal counsel has been advertised and we have received a few phone calls.

Hopefully we will have a recommendation for the board at the November meeting. We have no further news on the grants that have been submitted. We will inform the board as soon as we receive some word from HUD.

The new truck has been delivered and is already being put to use. Mr. Butler informs the board that the DEA Grant has been submitted, however, there is reason to believe that we will be receiving, if anything, a rather small amount. The advertisement for the Section 8 department has been advertised and we have received numerous applications. There should be a recommendation at the November meeting.

Old Business

None at this time

New Business

None at this time

Executive Session

None at this time

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Albert Laroche, seconded by Sister Mary Gibson at 5:27 p.m.

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