

Housing Authority of the Town of Portland 9 Chatham Court, Portland, CT 06480

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Board of Commissioners
Susan Malecky, Chair
Deborah Hallas, Vice Chair
Matthew Pegolo, Treasurer
Daniel Weeden, Commissioner
Cynthia Ferraro, Tenant Commissioner

Chair S. Malecky called the Regular Board Meeting of the Portland Housing Authority to order on February 20, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at the Quarry Heights Community room.

1.CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL PRESENT: Chair S. Malecky, Vice Chairperson Deborah Hallas, Commissioner Matt Pegolo, Commissioner Dan Weeden and Tenant Commissioner Cynthia Ferraro.

STAFF: Allen Harrison Executive Director, Dan Rafaniello Staff Accountant and Carol Diaz Administrative Housing Assistant.

ABSENT: None

2.ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Chair S. Malecky made a motion to approve Agenda. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

3.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

4.APPROVAL OF THE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES HELD January 16, 2024.

Chairperson S. Malecky made a motion to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes held January 16, 2024, and it was then moved by commissioner D. Weeden and seconded by Commissioner M. Pegolo. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

5. APPROVAL OF THE VIRTUAL REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD January 16, 2024.

Chairperson S. Malecky made a motion to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes held January 16, 2024, and it was then moved by commissioner D. Hallas and seconded by Commissioner C. Ferraro. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

<u>6.REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION OF January 2023 FINANCIAL REPORTS- PREPARED BY R. FENTON, CPA.</u>

Chairperson S. Malecky made a motion to approve the Master Accounts, Section 8 Accounts, all bank accounts, and Credit Cards; it was first moved by M. Pegolo seconded by commissioner C. Ferraro. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

7.REVIEW AND ACT ON THE 2024-2025 BUDGET, PREPARED BY TERESA EWALD, CPA

Chairperson S. Malecky made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Budget. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

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8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: Chatham Court, Quarry Heights, and Section 8

Office Report: Tar's ending numbers for the month of January 2024.

CC-active tenant's balance: \$3,441.57 QH-active tenant's balance: \$1269.84

CC-move out balance: \$0 QH-move out balance: \$0

The PHA currently has 48 regular housing vouchers leased, 25 Project Based Voucher, 5 families that ported out for a total of 78 with 38 families shopping for units.

Chair S. Malecky made a motion to approve Executive Directors Report. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimously approved and accepted.

9.OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

a) Resolution 24-2-1, Adoption of the Conventional Budget for the Federal Program.

RESOLUTION 24-2-1/ FEDERAL PROJECTS ADOPTION OF THE CONVENTIONAL BUDGET FYE MARCH 31, 2025

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland have reviewed the Conventional Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025.

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditures are necessary in the efficient and economical operation of the Housing Authority for the purpose of serving low-income families, and;

WHEREAS, no Authority employee has more than 100% of their salary prorated throughout the Programs.

WHEREAS, the Financial Plan is reasonable in that it indicates a source of funding under the provisions of the Federal Regulations, and;

WHEREAS, it does not provide for use of Federal Funding in excess of that payable under the provisions of the Federal Regulations, and:

WHEREAS, all proposed rental charges and expenditures will be consistent with the provisions of law and the Annual Contributions Contract, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the rent schedule approved by HUD, the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland certifies that it is in compliance with the requirements of Section 9(b) of the United States Housing Act, and with the provisions of Section 913-106, and 913-107 of the Final Rule published May 21, 1984, in that the aggregate annual gross rent of tenants in occupancy and for all new tenants will not be less than an amount equal to 30%.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland, that the Conventional Budget for Federal Projects for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025, be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner *M. Pegolo* and seconded by Commissioner *D. Hallas* to approve the above Resolution.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes: 5 Nays:0

Chairperson Malecky declared the motion passed unanimously and the resolution adopted.

b) Resolution 24-2-2, Adoption of the Management Plan for State Program.

RESOLUTION 24-2-2
ADOPTION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR PROJECT E-69 AND E-70 FOR
THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2024, THRU MARCH 31, 2025

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WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland has complied with Department of Housing Regulations on Housing Management for the State Elderly Project, E-69 and E-70 Quarry Heights.

WHEREAS, the Management Plan for the Period April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025, has been approved for presentation to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and Department of Economic Development, State of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland, that the Management Plan for the Period April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025, be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner <u>D. Weeden</u> and seconded by Commissioner <u>C. Ferraro</u> to approve the above Resolution.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes:5

Chairperson Malecky declared the motion passed unanimously and the resolution adopted.

c) Resolution 24-2-3 Adoption of the Budget Plan for the HCV Program.

RESOLUTION 24-2-3 ADOPTION OF THE SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2025

Nays:0

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WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland has complied with HUD Regulations on Housing Management for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program; and,

WHEREAS the FYE March 31, 2025, Budgets for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, have been approved for presentation to HUD.

WHEREAS no Authority employees have more than 100% of their salary prorated throughout the Programs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Town of Portland, that the Budgets for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025, be adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner $\underline{\textbf{\textit{D. Weeden}}}$ and seconded by Commissioner $\underline{\textbf{\textit{M. Pegolo}}}$ to approve the above Resolution.

Upon roll call, the vote was: Ayes:5 Nays:0

Chairperson Malecky declared the motion passed unanimously and the resolution adopted.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Discussion of Personal matters relative to Executive Director's contract. At 5:54 pm Chair S. Malecky moved that the Board enter Executive Session and invited Executive Director A. Harrison into Executive Session.

At 6:20pm Chair S. Malecky moved that the Board excuse Executive Director out of Executive Session.

<u>11.POST EXECUTIVE SESSION-</u> Discussion and action regarding personal matters relative to Executive Director's session

At 6:50 pm Chair S. Malecky made a motion to invite Director A. Harrison back into Executive Session.

There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Chair S. Malecky declared the meeting in open session at 7:19 pm

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12.ADJOURNMENT

At 7:20 pm, Chairperson S. Malecky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. There being no further discussion. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Allen Harrison

Allen Harrison Executive Director