



Regular Meeting: Thursday, February 20, 2020
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Location: Birchwood at Perth Amboy, 618 New Brunswick, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President DeJohn called the meeting to order at 10:34 AM at Birchwood at Perth Amboy, 618 New Brunswick, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

ROLL CALL:

Present

Janice DeJohn, President
Eric Chubenko- Senior Vice President
Douglas Dzema- Treasurer
Sherry Sims- Recording Secretary
Vernon Lawrence- Vice President, Community Development
Randall Wood- Vice President, Professional Development
Kimberly Gober- Vice President, Housing
Rick Iovine- Vice President, Legislation
Anthony Feorenzo, Trustee
John Clarke, Trustee
Joseph Capano, Trustee
John Mahon, Trustee
Lynn Bartlett, Trustee
Christopher Marra, Trustee
Victor Cirilo, Immediate Past President
Jack Warren- JIF Representative
Bill Snyder, Service Officer

Absent

Ron Van Rensalier, Corresponding Secretary
Hector Fuentes, Vice President, Commissioners
Gary Centinaro, Vice President, Member Services
Joseph Billy, Trustee
E. Dorothy Carty-Daniel, Trustee
Robert DiVincent, Trustee
Louis Riccio, Trustee
Domingo Senande, Trustee

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: January 23, 2020 meeting

Motion: John Clarke

Second: Sherry Sims

All members present voted in the affirmative, none were opposed.

Solar Presentation:

Solar Landscape was present at this meeting and gave a presentation about how Housing Authorities can utilize solar panels as a cost saving measure.

REPORTS

- **Senior Vice President**
Eric Chubenko reported on the spring conference and registration is off to a good start. Registration opened about 2 weeks ago and we have about 31 registrants to date. Late registration will be after March 20, 2020.
- **Treasurer**
Treasurer Douglas Dzema reported on the NJNAHRO budget FYE 12/31/20 and the FYE 2019 budget to actual.
The Bill list was handed out and discussed. John Clarke made a motion to approve the bill list in the total amount of \$4,247.60 and Lynn Bartlett seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative, none were opposed.
- **Recording Secretary** – No report
- **Corresponding Secretary** – Not present
- **Commissioners-** Not present
- **Community Development** – No report
- **Professional Development** – No report
- **Legislation-**
Vice President Rick Iovine discussed the proposal for the Public Housing Protection Act.
- **Housing**
Vice President Kimberly Gober discussed HUD's notice from 1/28/20 regarding assistance animals and directed everyone to the HDLI which has a summary distinguishing what service animals and support animals are. She also reminded everyone to accept the capital fund allocation and it was reminded to send in the signed paper.

Vice President Kimberly Gober reported on the PIH 2020-01 and the policies and procedures for Mainstream Vouchers.

- **Membership Services**- Not present
- **Service Officer**

Bill Snyder mentioned the audit and President DeJohn is soliciting quotes. The spring newsletter was sent out to about 1,000 people via e-mail. Hard copies are being processed and will be sent out shortly. Bill discussed the JIF Meeting that took place on 2/19/20. Reported on the new requirements and policies regarding domestic violence and protection of children. JIF wants to provide resources and trainings to employees. When you login, it will keep track of when someone does a training and how many trainings they do. Jack Warren handed out The New Jersey Public Housing Authority Joint Insurance Fund training guide for everyone and discussed what was available to members. Mr. Warren also reported about the addition of two new Housing Authorities to JIF.

Bill Snyder went over the State mandated training for commissioners and suggested to hold the two trainings at the spring conference, two trainings at the fall conference and two trainings at separate locations. The DCA wants to set up another meeting to discuss giving vouchers to jurisdictional authorities from the state.

The NAHRO Legislative Conference was discussed and we need to confirm attendance and meetings set up with Legislators.

Lastly, the video for the conference will be shot on March 17, 2020. They will be going to several places to capture all that our Housing Authorities provide. It will be shown at the spring 2020 NJNAHRO/MARC conference in Atlantic City, NJ.

RESOLUTIONS

2020-01 Approval of the 2020 Budget.

Kimberly Gober made a motion to approve the budget. Eric Chubenko seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative, none were opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

President Janice DeJohn discussed The NJNAHRO Scholarship and internship applications. The only change made was that the year was removed on the brochure for the internship. Internships can apply all year while the scholarships have a deadline of May 15, 2020 to get the complete application submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

The President's budget for next year was discussed. Advocate for proper funding for our programs by sending in letters.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Eric Chubenko

SECONDED: Kimberly Gober

TIME: 12:00