



Regular Meeting: Thursday, March 24, 2022
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Location: Meeting to be held via ZOOM

MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President DeJohn called the meeting to order at 10:33AM via ZOOM.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Janice DeJohn, President
Eric Chubenko- Senior Vice President
Sherry Sims- Recording Secretary
Vernon Lawrence- Vice President, Community Development
Kimberly Gober- Vice President, Housing
Rick Iovine- Vice President, Legislation
Gary Centinaro, Vice President, Member Services
Anthony Feorenzo, Trustee
John Clarke, Trustee
Joseph Capano, Trustee
John Mahon, Trustee
Louis Riccio, Trustee
Lynn Bartlett, Trustee
Christopher Marra, Trustee
Bill Snyder, Service Officer

Absent

Douglas Dzema- Treasurer
Hector Fuentes, Vice President, Commissioners
Randall Wood- Vice President, Professional Development
Joseph Billy, Trustee
E. Dorothy Carty-Daniel, Trustee
Robert DiVincent, Trustee
Domingo Senande, Trustee
Victor Cirilo, Immediate Past President
Jack Warren- JIF Representative
Victor Figueroa, Trustee

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: February 24, 2022, Meeting

Motion: Joseph Capano

Second: Lynn Bartlett

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

REPORTS

- **Senior Vice President**- Eric Chubenko gave an update on the registration for the 2022 Spring conference. To date, there are a total of 83 registrants. There are 53 from NJ and 30 from out of state.
- **Treasurer**- Not Present.
- **Recording Secretary** – No Report
- **Corresponding Secretary** – N/A
- **Commissioners**- Not present
- **Community Development**- Vernon Lawrence reported on the new appropriations budget that was just approved. It is roughly 175 million dollars less than 2021. The fund includes about 1.5 to 1.6 billion dollars in economic and community development investments. He also discussed home funds in the State of NJ.
- **Professional Development**– Not Present
- **Legislation**- Rick Iovine discussed the 4 Billion dollar spending bill increase in regards to HUD spending.
- **Housing**- Kimberly Gober reminded everyone that HUD extended the deadline for PHAS & SEMAP to April 1, 2022 if you wish to apply for waivers in submitting PHAS or SEMAP reports. Kimberly discussed the FSS Grants and being able to apply for more funding. Extra funds can not be used for other staff, it must be used for the coordinator. She discussed the HCV utilization which is at the lowest nationally since the inception of the program. HUD estimated in November 2021 it was at 97%. Voucher issuance is up but lease ups are down.
- **Membership Services**- No Report
- **Service Officer**
Bill Snyder informed all the board members that he emailed out the scholarship applications which are due back no later than May 27, 2022. He also discussed the Internship program and there are rolling applications for board members to apply. Bill Snyder informed

everyone the new legislation regarding the different requirements for veteran preferences on waiting lists. Bills for dues have been sent out via email to members. Hard copies will be sent out to those who do not respond.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: MARCH 2022

Motion: John Clarke

Second: Joseph Capano

All members present voted in the affirmative to approve the bills, none were opposed

RESOLUTIONS

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Lou Riccio discussed the progress of the Spring 2022 Conference and sessions bring offered. Skills for Commissioners will be offered at this conference which requires pre-registration. Sign in sheets will be in every class and gift cards will be given away at the end of the class. John Mahon informed everyone they invited the New National CEO but have not heard back yet. The bus tour prices have gone up significantly. Still looking into different companies and attractions/ Public Housing sites.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Janice DeJohn opened a discussion regarding the return of in person meetings starting with the June 23, 2022, NJNAHRO meeting. Life Station can no longer be used for occasional meetings, but President DeJohn spoke with Galloping Hill and their conference room can be used. A suggestion was made to possible have a zoom alternative for those who cannot make it. President DeJohn informed everyone it is not expected that everyone be at every meeting. Gary Centenaro made a motion to start in person meetings starting June 2022, Kimberly Gober seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative, none were opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Gary Centenaro

SECOND: Kimberly Gober

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

TIME: 11:42 AM