



Regular Meeting: Thursday, March 25, 2021
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Location: Meeting to be held via ZOOM

MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Senior Vice President Eric Chubenko called the meeting to order at 10:34AM via ZOOM.

ROLL CALL:

Present

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

Absent

Hector Fuentes, Vice President, Commissioners
Vernon Lawrence- Vice President, Community Development
Gary Centinaro, Vice President, Member Services
E. Dorothy Carty-Daniel, Trustee
Robert DiVincent, Trustee
Christopher Marra, Trustee
Domingo Senande, Trustee
Victor Figueroa, Trustee

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: February 25, 2021 Meeting

Motion: Sherry Sims

Second: Kimberly Gober

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

REPORTS

- **Senior Vice President**- No Report.
- **Treasurer**- Douglas Dzema reported on the dues and collections process. Bills for dues are only being sent out via email at this time. It was discussed to send out a paper invoice as well as email. Douglas put the entire bill list in the amount of \$4,600 in the form of a motion. Joseph Capano seconded the motion and all members present voted in the affirmative to approve the bill list, none were opposed.
- **Recording Secretary** – No Report
- **Corresponding Secretary** – VACANT
- **Commissioners**- Not Present
- **Community Development**- Not Present.
- **Professional Development**– Randall Wood informed everyone that on March 24, 2021 the White House announced that NAHRO CEO Adrienne Todman has been nominated as Deputy Secretary of HUD.
- **Legislation**- Rick Iovine reported on the \$5 Billion in Emergency Housing Vouchers. HA's are supposed to be informed about what the allocation will be. He also reported on the Infrastructure Bill and if that gets passed, it will be able to increase capital fund.
- **Housing**- Kimberly Gober reported on the Capitol Fund Allocations and now you have to upload ACC's in EPICS. The American Rescue Plan has \$21.55 Billion in Emergency Rental Assistance that is going through Treasury. The ERAP has been awarded to State and local Agencies. \$5 Billion is going through HUD and HUD is supposed to notify HA's of their eligibility within 60 days of the enactment of the bill which was signed March 10, 2021. By the beginning of May, HA's will know if they were awarded these Vouchers. HA's cannot reissue these vouchers after September 30, 2023. The Public Health Emergency and Eviction Moratorium has been extended another 30 days in NJ.
- **Membership Services**- Not Present

- **Service Officer**

Bill Snyder informed everyone that the PEOSH training is March 30th and May 4th. The response has been outstanding and there are over 150 people registered for the March 30th training. With such great response, they agreed to partner with NJNAHRO for future trainings and want to have these trainings on a regular basis.

NAHRO poster contest is out, and an email went out to everyone regarding it. Victor Cirilo agreed to use his office again for receiving the posters.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris James reported on the progress he has made so far on getting written approval from the Department of Community Affairs to allow NJNAHRO to offer state mandated classes for Commissioners and Executive Directors. He stated he had some conversations with people at DCA and it is at local government and it is now going through a committee. He also spoke with Lt. Governor and stated she is on board with this. He believes there should be some answers over the next couple of weeks.

The Spring 2021 Conference has been cancelled. Louis Riccio received the contract for Spring 2022 conference which has no down payment or clause if it needs to be cancelled and at this time is set for May 2022. It was agreed on by the board to have 10 Vendors attend the Fall 2021 Conference. It was discussed to have vendors submit a 1-minute video and have it playing on screen on loop at the conference.

President Janice DeJohn will be sending out letters and applications regarding the Scholarships.

OTHER BUSINESS

John Mahon, as Regional President, is asking State Chapters if they would be willing to submit a letter to National supporting Adrienne Todman's nomination.

Also, Marsha Parham- Green is running for National Senior Vice President. The Region has officially supported her, and John Mahon is asking if the States could also support her. Louis Riccio made a motion that NJNAHRO send a letter of support for Marsha Parham-Green. President Janice DeJohn seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative, none were opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: John Clarke

SECOND: Randall Wood

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

TIME: 11:22 AM