

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Somerville Housing Authority duly called and held on January 13, 2021.

The Regular Meeting of the Somerville Housing Authority held virtually via GoToMeeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

The Chairman instructed the Secretary to call the roll at 1:00 p.m. and upon roll call those present and absent was as follows:

PRESENT	ABSENT
Comm. Ferrara	
Comm. Rances	
Comm. Santana	
Comm. McCallum	
Chairman Bonney, Jr.	

The Chairman read Notice of Meeting dated January 6, 2021 given in accordance with Section 23B, Chapter 39 of the General Laws with certificate as to Service of Meeting attached which was ordered spread upon the minutes.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23B, Chapter 39 of the General Laws that a meeting of the Somerville Housing Authority will be held virtually on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING (Sec. 23B, Chapter 39, General Laws)

I, Joseph R. Macaluso, the duly appointed qualified Secretary of the Somerville Housing Authority, do hereby certify that on January 6, 2021, I filed, in the manner provided by Sec. 23B, Chapter 39 of the General Laws with the Clerk of the City of Somerville, a Notice of Meeting of which the following is a true and correct copy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Authority this January 14, 2021.



Joseph R. Macaluso

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

(a) Public Meeting held on December 16, 2020

Upon motion made by Comm. McCallum, seconded by Comm. Rances, it was voted to waive the reading and approve the minutes.

SO VOTED

(b) Monthly Board Meeting held on December 16, 2020

Upon motion made by Comm. McCallum, seconded by Comm. Santana, it was voted to waive the reading and approve the minutes.

SO VOTED

3. COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER

None this month.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

5. RESIDENT CONCERNS

Resident Pat Wilber from Properzi Manor asked for an update on when the Covid-19 vaccine will be provided to tenants at senior buildings. Executive Director, Joe Macaluso, stated that he received good news that DHCD recently informed him that elderly public housing residents will be included in Tier 1 Phase 2 of the state's vaccination program. He stated that he would provide more information once it's available.

Pat Wilbur stated that the front door has been broken the last several days. Director of Maintenance, Joe Whalen, stated that he has had the door repaired several times, but someone keeps damaging the door between 11 pm – 7 am, when a FOB is required for entrance. He stated a company was fixing the door at 1 pm on 1/13/21. Chief of Police, Dan Mead, stated that he will have the security cameras directed at the entrance to see who keeps damaging the door. Joe Macaluso requested for additional public safety coverage of the property to ensure the door doesn't continue to get broken.

6. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Joe Macaluso stated that the Waterworks II project received approval by the Zoning Board. He stated that there may be delays because of planning for a revised traffic pattern by the parkway near the property.

Upon motion by Comm. McCallum, seconded by Comm. Rances, it was voted to accept the Executive Director's Report as written.

SO VOTED

7. NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Consideration of request by the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Singh Electrical, LLC from Somerville, MA to serve as the on-call electrical contractor for the Bryant Manor Force Account project SHA Job #1827 at the time and material rate of \$85/hour.

Director of Modernization, Brian Langton, stated that Singh Electrical, LLC had the lowest hourly rate and has previously worked for housing authorities making the company a reputable recommendation.

Upon motion made by Comm. Santana, seconded by Comm. McCallum, it was voted to approve Item 7(a).

SO VOTED

- (b) Consideration of request by the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Ambient Temperature Corporation from Newburyport, MA to complete the Highland Gardens Rooftop Exhaust Fan Replacement project SHA Job #2030 for the sum of **\$17,930.00**. Brian stated there has been issues with nine exhaust fans that need replacement.

Upon motion made by Comm. Santana, seconded by Comm. Rances, it was voted to approve Item 7(b).

SO VOTED

- (c) Consideration of request by the Executive Director to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion to JC Floor Covering Co Inc. for SHA Job #1822 Bryant Manor Common Area Flooring Replacement.

Brian stated this job is more than 95% complete.

Upon motion made by Comm. Santana, seconded by Comm. McCallum, it was voted to approve Item 7(c).

SO VOTED

- (d) Consideration of request by the Executive Director to approve the Operating Budget Revisions for 400-C for Fiscal Year 2021. **(Roll Call Vote Required)**.

Finance Director, Kelly Yin, stated that revisions were made to capture Covid-19 funding and two grants that were received from DHCD for state programs.

Upon roll call the ayes and nays is as follows:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Comm. Rances		
Comm. Santana		
Comm. McCallum		
Comm. Ferrara		
Chairman Bonney, Jr.		

SO VOTED

8. ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

(a) Schedule for next Regular Board Meeting:

The scheduling of the February Board Meeting is postponed until further notice due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Upon motion made by Comm. Santana, seconded by Comm. Ferrara, it was voted to adjourn at 1:22 p.m.



Joseph R. Macaluso
Executive Director

ATTEST

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