

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE MOLINE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

March 25, 2013

The special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Moline Housing Authority was held at 5:30 PM in the Spring Brook Administration Building Board Room located at 4141 11th Avenue A, Moline, IL 61265.

Board members present were Chairperson Melvin Grimes, Vice-Chairperson Kathy York, Chuck Capan, Jennifer Ainsworth, and Leslie Stange-Crotty. Staff members present were Executive Director John Afoun, and Recording Secretary Maria Nino. Board Counsel, Tim Feeney, was in attendance. Also in attendance were Mayor Don Welvaert, and Officer Becky Sargeant.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Melvin Grimes called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. **Review of Security and Safety RFP:** Chairperson Grimes stated that the reason we are here today is to review what the Board instructed Mr. Afoun to put together, an RFP for Security and Safety. He also said that tonight is not going to be a decision night; it is just to review the RFP and see if there is anything else that needs to be changed in there.

Mr. Afoun said he put together what he feels we need for police services. Once the Board decides what the final RFP is then this will be sent to the Moline Chief of Police. Commissioner Stange-Crotty asked if anyone else would be sent a copy of the RFP and Mr. Afoun said it would be advertised and if they call and request a copy it will be sent to them.

Commissioner Stange-Crotty asked what in the new RFP is so different from what had been negotiated last fall or previous practices. Mr. Afoun said the number of hours and that it would be MHA lead not Police lead. The price also does a comparative analysis and is projected over a period. It also delineates the requirements to list the different requirements to list the different types of patrol such as walking, bicycle, etc. Mr. Afoun also said the core duties they have been providing has not changed just the reporting requirements and the hours in terms of the needs is what has changed.

Mayor Welvaert then spoke about concerns such as how there seems to be concern about the hours and how many hours are there. He said the perception is that the hours are 9 to 5, but that is not the case because they have flexed their hours to include a lot of evening hours. Another concern is the ability to get background checks done for tenants, which can only be performed by certain agencies. He added that the police officers in the City of Moline know the people and the ability to make arrests as well as the reduction and elimination of programs that would happen if the Moline Police Department was not selected for the Security and Safety RFP.

Mayor Welvaert then stated that Rock Island County had received the RFP and he believes the Illinois State Police Department had probably received it as well, but that as of 4:30pm the MPD had not received anything. Chairperson Grimes said this was a surprise to him since the RFP is not yet final and should not have been distributed to anyone at this point, but that he was going to look into the situation.

3. **Any other business that may come before the Board:**
There was no other business to come before the Board.

4. Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion was made, and seconded, to adjourn the meeting. All voting members present voting "aye", none against; the Chairperson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:02 P.M.

Melvin Grimes, Chairperson