

**MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE MOLINE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

October 19, 2015

The annual meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Moline Housing Authority was held at 5:30 PM in the Hillside Heights Commissioner's Hall located at 825 17th Street, Moline, IL 61265.

Board members present were Chairperson Melvin Grimes, Vice-Chairperson Kathy York, Chuck Capan, Leslie Stange-Crotty, and David Parker, Jr. Staff members present were Executive Director John Afoun and Recording Secretary Maria Nino. Board Counsel was in attendance. Also in attendance were Lee Westlund, Diane Fox, and Tammy Jones.

There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Melvin Grimes called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. **Remarks by Chairperson Melvin Grimes:** Chairperson Grimes stated that he is very much pleased that we are making some forward motion. We are getting those obstacles under control and looking at doing some major things. We have improved our parking lots and infrastructure as well. This year has been a good year of moving forward. He hates standing still and definitely hates to regress.
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of October 20th 2014:** Minutes of the annual meeting of October 20th 2014 were reviewed. Motion was made, and seconded, to approve the minutes of the annual meeting of October 20th 2014. All voting members present voting "aye", none against; the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.
4. **Presentation of Annual Strategic Goals and Annual Report by Executive Director:** Mr. John Afoun presented the annual strategic goals. He said the Board has finally approved our strategic plan for 2015-2020, it is in print and we are proud of this. We are very proud that we have achieved this. It is a milestone and took us about three years to make it at the Board's various retreats. There are five goals listed. He is pleased to inform the meeting that the goals include both long term and short term goals. Almost all the short term goals have been reached. The main goal was the development of the non for profit and we have signed a contract with the developer, which is the major goal for next year. We have put together an Annual Report for the Board in print. What has delayed putting in print is the financial component. We are waiting on the auditor to provide us with the audited information to put into the document. He went over the table of contents of the Annual Report. Mr. Afoun said one of the programs we want to highlight is the health fair. Although it is in the Annual Report, he wants to highlight some of the achievements, such as the cohesiveness of the Board. He believes the Board has worked cohesively and they have been able to advance their cause during the last year. The other thing achieved is through the CFP program we did all the internal roads, along with our partnership with the City that helped us with the Spring Brook component of the roads where they did patching along the main roads. We believe this will last for 20-25 years. Both programs have retained high performer status again and we achieved an unqualified audit for the past 3 years. We also recognized net gain income of \$850,000. He is most proud of our work with the residents at Hillside to achieve 97% eradication of bedbugs there. He believes we are one of the few housing authorities who were bold and took this approach. He wanted to thank the Board and residents for their cooperation in this venture. He is proud of the strategic plan format and the annual report will be just as nice.

Chairperson Grimes wanted to commend our RAB board for their involvement and involving the residents of Moline Housing Authority. He thinks we are one of the few that operate the opposite of other housing authorities where we have an active RAB board all the way through and it is refreshing.

5. Election of Officers: Chairperson Grimes opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson.

Commissioner Parker, Jr. nominated Melvin Grimes for Chairperson. Commissioner York seconded the nomination. Vice-Chairperson York called three times for nominations from the floor, but no further nominations were made. Vice-Chairperson York declared that the nominations were closed.

Commissioner Melvin Grimes accepted the nomination and was declared Chairperson by acclamation.

Chairperson Grimes opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

Commissioner Parker, Jr. nominated Kathy York for Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Stange-Crotty seconded the nomination. Chairperson Grimes called three times for nominations from the floor, but no further nominations were made. Chairperson Grimes declared that the nominations were closed.

Commissioner Kathy York accepted the nomination and was declared Vice-Chairperson by acclamation.

6. Any other business that may come before the Board including comments from the general public:

Mr. Afoun noted that in the board package was a yearly notice of the dates that the MHA offices will be closed for the holidays as well as the 2015 board meeting schedule.

7. 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 5:45 P.M.

Melvin Grimes, Chairperson