Arlington Housing Authority Regular Meeting

Minutes

April 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mr. Connor.

Roll Call

Present:	Nicholas Mitropoulos, Gaar Talanian, Brian Connor, Jo Anne Preston and Fiorella Badilla
Also Present:	John Nagle, Interim Executive Director John Greco, Attorney

Notice to Town Clerk

Notice of this meeting was delivered electronically on January 7, 2021 and posted by the Arlington Town Clerk in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

Appointments

Local Tenants Organizations

Pam Hauser, President Winslow Towers said her only issue was the slowness of the windows. They stopped last two weeks.

Cathy at Drake Village congratulated the Board. She said that people feel slighted to rename the Common Room to the Daly Room.

Mr. Connor said that it should be husband and wife.

Mr. Mitropoulos said what about calling it the Daly Double Room.

Mr. Connor thought it was a great idea.

Mr. Greco said that it should be put on the Agenda next month.

Pam Hauser asked if the Board was going to stop the laundry on June 1st.

Mr. Connor said it will be put on the Agenda next month.

General Public

Rachael C. from Menotomy Manor wants to address the LTO at Menotomy Manor. She said there are three people who are trying to set this up. They would like to meet with the Board.

Mrs. Preston said that she is glad Rachael is talking to tenants. She said one of the threes should attend the Presidents meeting with the Maintenance. She said Rachael should go and she should rotate each month.

Rachael wants to attend the Maintenance Meeting.

Mrs. Preston said that Jack Cooper will have a zoom meeting to let people know how to set up and LTO. The meeting will be May 15, 2021.

Mr. Connor said we should do a flyer announcement and we can have the staff drop it off to all the tenants at Menotomy Manor.

Rachael said that her concern is the multicultural. She said they need an interpreter.

Ms. Badilla said they will put a code on the flyer.

Ms. Badilla said it is hard to include everyone.

Rachael said she would help pass out the flyers.

Cathy from Drake Village said that Mr. Nagle does the flyers in different languages.

Mr. Connor said that Janet should know the languages of the tenants.

Mrs. Preston said it is a great help that some families have children that can translate for their parents. She said that we should get in touch with Mr. Nagle.

John Ward at Winslow said there is a notice for the Annual Plan on the website. He said the tenants have not been able to meet for over a year. The Arlington Housing Authority will consider the concerns of any LTO's. How are the residents suppose to get in touch with someone?

Pamela Hauser agrees with John Ward. We have not had a meeting. There are some who do not know who the President is.

John Ward said to have some means on who the President is and how they can communicate with them.

Pamela Hauser said she would try her best for John Ward.

Rachael wanted to know what the process is to get into housing.

Mr. Nagle said there is a process. Jack went on and explained what the process was.

Rachael just wanted to know the process.

Mr. Nagle said that because the wait list is structured there are nonresponse and returned mail.

Rachael said that she sees people getting in at Menotomy Manor in seven months and there are people that waited ten years.

Rachael said that someone donated a basketball hoop. She wants to know if they can keep it up for the kids.

Mr. Connor that this is where the Tenant Association comes in.

Rachael said it would be good to have new picnic tables.

Mr. Connor asked Mr. Nagle is he could do that.

Mr. Nagle said he would take care of it.

Project Updates

The window project will start up tomorrow. Once we get in touch with the Contractor, we will have the schedule and will post it for the residents. The Cottages project is moving at Drake. Chestnut Manor parking lot has been repaved. Landscapers will be at Menotomy Manor to do spring cleaning. The second vaccine has been completed for the senior & low-income tenants.

We have received over forty applications for the Resident Services Coordinator.

<u>Consideration of Appointment of Interim Executive Director subject to condition on</u> <u>the Leave of Absence which may be granted by the Board</u>

Upon a motion made by Mr. Mitropoulos and seconded by Mr. Talanian it was voted unanimously to Appoint Mr. Nagle as Interim Executive Director subject to condition on the Leave of Absence which may be granted by the Board.

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Approval of the Minutes of March 23, 2021

<u>No</u>

Upon a motion made by Mr. Mitropoulos and seconded by Ms. Badilla it was unanimously voted in favor to Approve the Minutes of Marach 23, 2021.

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Any Other Matters that may be Appropriate to come before the Authority

Pamela Hauser said now that Mr. Connor is Chairman are we going to change the meeting night.

Mr. Connor said that the meetings will go back to Wednesday night.

John Ward wanted to know what happens to the position of Operations Manager and are we going to be paying two Executive Directors salary.

Mr. Connor said it will be discussed in Executive Session.

Sheri Baron wanted to know who Mr. Nagle is.

Mr. Connor said that Mr. Nagle will tell you himself.

Mr. Nagle explained his background.

<u>Executive Session was held, and the meeting was adjourned directly from Executive</u> <u>Session.</u>