



MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
MONDAY, JULY 9, 2018
ROCK COUNTY COURHOUSE – EAST
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM
2ND FLOOR EAST – ROOM 266
51 S MAIN ST. JANESVILLE, WI 53545

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners present: Mary Beaver, Jason Heidenreich and Vice-Chair Sarah Williams. Absent: Anda O'Conner and Billy Bob Grahn. QUORUM PRESENT

Planning & Development Staff present: Colin Byrnes (Director) and Kurt Wheeler (Planner III and Acting Secretary), and Kathy Kamp (Executive Director Wisconsin Partnership for Housing Development).

Others: None

2. Adoption of Agenda

Commissioners Heidenreich and Beaver moved the adoption of the agenda. All in favor – **ADOPTED**

3. Minutes of Meetings for April 9, 2018

Commissioners Heidenreich and Beaver moved the approval of the March 12, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. **APPROVED** as presented.

4. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements

None.

5. HOME Program 2017 Activity Report

Director Byrnes presented a program activity report that was submitted by the Wisconsin Partnership for Housing Development (WPHD). The report is appended to the minutes. Items of note were:

- Over \$461,000 of HOME Program funds available for program years 2014 – 2018
- Contractors are 6 months behind on projects and finding contractors to do the work is becoming difficult.
- \$135,000 committed to loans currently.
- The 55-5-50 Program outreach produced a huge increase in applications, but many were disqualified due to available equity in the homes and various other reasons.

6. Rock County Foreclosure of Tax Lien properties and potential Low to Moderate Income Housing Project Fund Matching Requirements.

Kathy Kamp explained what has been done historically regarding the use of Tax Foreclosed properties within the Home Program as they relate to matching funds.

Mr. Byrnes elaborated on the topic and explained how the matching funds work between the Cities of Janesville and Beloit as well as Rock County.

Mr. Byrnes showed the committee photos and street views of several properties that may be good candidates for purchase and rehabilitation should the potential project be allowed by committee and Corporation Council. Mr. Byrnes will discuss with legal and report back to the Housing Committee.

7. Adjournment

Commissioner Heidenreich moved to adjourn the committee at 9:36 am; Seconded by Commissioner Beaver. **ADOPTED** by acclamation.

Next Meeting of the Housing Authority

The next meeting of the Housing Authority Commissioners is scheduled for the last quarter of 2018. TBD.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt J. Wheeler, Recording Secretary

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