



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Housing Authority of the City of La Crosse

Friday, June 15, 2018

12:00 PM

Housing Authority of the City of La Crosse
1307 Badger Street

Call to Order

Mr. Solberg called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Present: 5 - Audrey Kader, Portialee Armstrong, Judy Carpenter, Roland L. Solberg, Tennille Spears

Others present: Executive Director Jane Alberts, Deputy Director Steve Schauf and interested persons: Diana Dyste, S. Karen Neusee, Kim Cable, Julia McDermid, Kathie Knoble-Iverson, Caroline Gregerson, Tim Kabat, Matt Strittmater, Tristine Bauman, Brook Martiun, Mary Ann G.

1 Approval of minutes of regular meeting held May 9, 2018.

A motion was made by Spears, seconded by Armstrong, to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

2 Approval of bills.

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Kader, to approve the following bills as well as the cost of the luncheon: Public Housing, \$66,874.13; Voucher Program, \$3,786.51; Capital Funds Program, \$112,204.16; Forest Park, \$31,058.49; Ping Manor, \$18,959.22; Central Office Cost Center, \$11,242.19; Checks to be approved, \$38,664.55; Total, \$282,790.25. The motion carried.

3 Executive Director's Report

The Executive Director's Report was noted as being received.

4 Delinquent Rent Report

The Delinquent Rent Report was reviewed.

Old Business

- 5 [18-0841](#) Discuss Hintgen-Huber Project.

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Kader, to approve the request received from the La Crosse Family Collaborative to use the Huber Homes Community Center which will provide neighborhood social work, after school programming and neighborhood policing as well as adding a linkage to Hintgen Elementary School. The motion carried.

- 6 Discuss Common Bond Communities request.

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Kader, to defer to the July Board Meeting the Common Bond Communities request to project base 12 existing Section 8 Vouchers at the Red Cloud Street Development. The motion carried.

New Business

- 7 Request from La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness to apply for Section 8 Vouchers.

Julie McDermid, La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness, requested the Housing Authority to consider applying for 40 Mainstream Vouchers. Deadline for submitting the application is June 18, 2018.

A motion was made by Armstrong, seconded by Spears to convene in closed session. The motion carried 4-1 (Kader voted no).

A motion was made by Spears, seconded by Armstrong, to reconvene in open session. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Armstrong, seconded by Carpenter, to deny the request of the La Crosse Collaborative to End Homelessness. The motion carried 4-1 (Kader voted no).

- 8 [18-0842](#) Approve resolutions disposing of appliances, furniture, equipment, etc.

A motion was made by Kader, seconded by Armstrong, to approve the resolutions. The motion carried.

- 9 [18-0843](#) Review 2017 SEMAP Score.

The announcement of the 2017 SEMAP Score of 100% was acknowledged as being received.

- 10 [18-0844](#) Discuss 2018 NAHRO entry award.

The 2018 NAHRO entry award announcement was acknowledged as being received.

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Armstrong, to approve the expenditure of travel funds for staff to attend the award ceremony in San Francisco on July 27, 2018. The motion carried.

- 11 [18-0845](#) Review Head Start Lease.

Mrs. Alberts recommended that the Board consider increasing the Head Start lease to \$1,450 per month; an increase of \$25.00 per month.

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Armstrong, to accept the recommendation of Mrs. Alberts and increase the lease to \$1,450 per month. The motion carried.

- 12 Personnel Committee salaries and positions.

Mr. Solberg appointed Ms. Spears to serve on the Personnel Committee and referred for consideration salaries and positions for 2018/2019.

Discussion followed regarding HUD Secretary's "Make Affordable Housing Work Act." A portion of the proposed Act states that working families rent will be set at 35%. The concern expressed is that rents will increase and the ability to pay rent will increase our evictions. The Board's concerns will be addressed to WAHA.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Armstrong, seconded by Kader to adjourn. The motion carried.