JANUARY 2, 2024 MINUTES

The Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Borough of Belmar met on Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. The requirements regarding notice of this meeting are in accordance with New Jersey's Open Public Meeting Act. The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag, followed by a moment of silence.

A roll call by the Chairperson showed the following:

Present: Comm. Orchard

Comm. Ramey Comm. Casserly Comm. McCracken Comm. Messano

Absent: Comm. Lynch

Comm. Sharrock

The Chairperson noting a quorum was present then called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes:

Comm Ramey moved that the minutes of the November 6, 2023 meeting be approved. Comm. Casserly seconded this, with the following vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken
Comm. Messano - Yes

Comm Orchard moved that the minutes of the December 4, 2023 meeting be approved as amended. Comm. McCracken seconded this, with the following vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken
Comm. Messano - Abstain

Approval of Bills:

Review and payment of January bills by the Commissioner and certified by the Treasurer that funds are available for payment of the same, were presented to the Board for payment.

Commissioner Casserly requested an explanation of payment to the engineer. Mr. DeSantis advised that was for services to design and create bid specifications for the façade reapair.

There being no other objections; Comm. McCracken moved that the bills for January be paid as presented. This was seconded by Comm Casserly and approved by the following roll call vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken - Yes
Comm. Messano - Yes

The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

The Chairperson asked for the report from the Executive Director

Mr. DeSantis reported on the following:

- We had a nice Christmas celebration with the elementary children coming in to sing Christmas Carols for the tenants
- The New Year's day dinner went very well and was enjoyed by all that attended
- Elevator #1 modernization is making progress and is on schedule and elevator #2 is working for the residents to use
- Will be meeting with the engineer to review the bid specifications for the building façade

Correspondence

None

The Chairperson asked for Old Business

None.

New Business:

Nominations of Chairperson:

A motion was made by Commissioner Orchard nominating Commissioner Lynch for Chairperson. This motion was seconded by Commissioner McCracken and approved by the following roll call vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken - Yes
Comm. Messano - Yes

Nomination of Vice Chairperson:

A motion was made by Commissioner Orchard nominating Commissioner Sharrock for Vice Chairperson. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Casserly and approved by the following roll call vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken - Yes
Comm. Messano - Yes

Consent Agenda:

Resolution 2024-1: Resolution Establishing Meeting Dates for 2024

Resolution 2024-2: Resolution Appointing and Confirming Attorney for the Belmar Housing Authority

Resolution 2024-3: Resolution Appointing and Confirming Landlord/Tenant Attorney

Resolution 2024-4: Resolution Appointing a Qualified Purchasing Agent

Resolution 2024-5: Resolution Appointing Paul DeSantis as Executive Director

Comm. Ramey made a motion to approve the above resolutions. This was seconded by Comm. Orchard and approved by the following roll call vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken - Yes
Comm. Messano - Yes

Reports from the Commissioners

Commissioner McCracken asked is there is any update on the security issue. Mr. DeSantis advised that a restraining order has been issued for the individual.

Open Public Portion

Rene Farro advised the board that she continually has a problem with the loud music that comes from 10th Ave Burrito. Mr. DeSantis advised that he would speak to the police regarding it.

Executive Session:

None.

There being no further business before this Board; a motion was made by Commissioner Ramey and seconded by Commissioner Orchard to close the meeting and approved by the following roll call vote:

Comm. Lynch - Absent
Comm. Orchard - Yes
Comm. Sharrock - Absent
Comm. Ramey - Yes
Comm. Casserly - Yes
Comm. McCracken - Yes
Comm. Messano - Yes

The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.