# MINUTES FINAL

# REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# PORTSMOUTH HOUSING AUTHORITY 245 MIDDLE STREET, PORTSMOUTH, NH May 10, 2023 – 2:00p.m.

Chair Ferrini called the meeting to order.

## I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT	LATE ARRIVAL	ABSENT
Commissioner Bergeron		
Commissioner Griffin		
Commissioner Main		
Commissioner Pickering		
Commissioner Rodenhizer		
Chair Ferrini		

Also present: Executive Director Craig Welch, Finance Director Valerie Labrie, Attorney John Bosen, Operations Manager Mary Kelliher

Chair Ferrini declared a quorum present.

# II. READING OF MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Rodenhizer motioned to waive the reading of the minutes dated April 12, 2023 and accept as presented. Commissioner Pickering seconded the motion.

The votes were as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Commissioner Bergeron		
Commissioner Griffin		
Commissioner Main		
Commissioner Pickering		
Commissioner Rodenhizer		
Chair Ferrini		

The motion passed.

# III. NEW BUSINESS

# A. Presentation of the 2023 Annual Report

Mr. Welch briefly reviewed the PHA's 2023 Annual Report.

#### **B.** Vote on Board Officer Positions

Commissioner Bergeron voted to approve the existing slate of Board Officers as follows:

Chairperson: Tom Ferrini

Vice Chairperson: Kara Rodenhizer

Treasurer: Dan Main

Assistant Treasurer: Robin Pickering

Commissioner Griffin seconded the motion. There was no discussion.

The votes were as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Commissioner Bergeron		
Commissioner Griffin		
Commissioner Main		
Commissioner Pickering		
Commissioner Rodenhizer		
Chair Ferrini		

## The motion passed.

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Welch informed that the PHA hired Environmental Attorney Matthew Burrows, Esq. with the office of Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell, P.C. Attorney Burrows is working with Attorney John Bosen.

Chair Ferrini asked if there is an insurance policy that covers the issues regarding the Banfield Road lawsuit, to which Mr. Welch replied there is not.

#### V. OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Commissioner Rodenhizer asked if a tenant's rent changes at Ruth's Place if the household composition changes, to which Mr. Welch explained that it can if there is also an associated change in income in that household that goes beyond the prescribed income bands.

Commissioner Rodenhizer motioned to approve the Operational Reports. Commissioner Pickering seconded the motion.

#### The votes were as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Commissioner Bergeron		
Commissioner Griffin		
Commissioner Main		
Commissioner Pickering		
Commissioner Rodenhizer		
Chair Ferrini		

# The motion passed.

#### VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no discussion.

## VII. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Main asked if there is any update on the Sherburne School. Mr. Welch said the PHA is on the agenda for the City Council meeting on Monday 5/15, where Craig has 15 minutes to speak and present the Sherburne Report he has put together.

Commissioner Bergeron asked if there is an update on Betty's Dream. Mr. Welch reported that Regency Homehealth is removing itself as a service provider at the property.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rodenhizer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Main seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

## The votes were as follows:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Commissioner Bergeron	<u></u> , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Commissioner Griffin		
Commissioner Main		
Commissioner Pickering		
Commissioner Rodenhizer		
Chair Ferrini		

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Accepted by: Kara Rodenhizer Vice Chair

Craig W. Welch
Secretary

Thomas G. Ferrini
Chair

Chair