MINUTES Regular Meeting January 27, 2025

The regular meeting of the Housing Authority of the Township of Brick was held on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 6:30pm at the David Fried Community Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jampel at 6:30 PM.

The meeting began with the reading of the Sunshine Law statement.

Upon Roll Call those present were:

Commissioner Russell Commissioner Linkin Commissioner Oliver

Commissioner Dunne Chairman Jampel

Also present were Jacob Naszimento, Executive Director, and Terry Brady, Board Attorney

Absent from the meeting was Vice Chairman Dyer.

After the salute to the Flag, there was a moment of silence for those in need.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the open session minutes from the Board of Commissioners meeting held on November 25, 2024 was made by Commissioner Linkin and seconded by Commissioner Dunne. Upon roll call, all Commissioners voted "Aye".

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Naszimento read his report for those present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chairman Jampel read the treasurer's report for those in attendance. Motion to approve the Section 8 payment checks #31928 through #31967 and direct deposit #6680 through #6823, BHA operating payment checks #26439 through #26448, RAD Operating payment checks #3184 through #3243, security deposit refund payment checks #170 through #172, Tenant Service payment checks #3221 through #3227 was made by Commissioner Dunne and seconded by Commissioner Linkin. Payment vouchers were approved unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Jampel asked Mr. Naszimento for an update on the fire extinguisher inquiry, as requested by a resident at the November meeting. Mr. Naszimento reported that he had spoken with the Deputy Fire Marshal, who explained that our building is constructed of solid concrete. In the event of a fire in a unit, they want the resident to leave their unit. Residents should not attempt to extinguish it themselves due to the need for proper training and the different types of extinguishers required for various fires. Mr. Naszimento also contacted the Perth Amboy and Secaucus Housing Authorities, who confirmed that they do not have fire extinguishers in their units for the same reasons. Additionally, it was noted that the Brick Fire Bureau will hold a Fire Prevention Safety Seminar in February, as they have in past years, in the two high-rise community rooms. All tenants are strongly encouraged to attend. David Fried residents may choose either community room to attend the seminar.

NEW BUSINESS

• Discussion on submission of 5-Year Plan (FYs 2025-2029)

Chairman Jampel said this matter will be tabled until further discussion and meetings are held. This will come back to the Board for approval at the March Meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT

Motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Commissioner Linkin and seconded by Commissioner Russell. The meeting was open to the public at 6:45pm.

Mr. John Bigly, a resident of George Conway, alerted the Board to a conversation he had with the Executive Director regarding an emergent situation in the George Conway Building front outer door being broken for over two weeks and how he felt He said Mr. Naszimento did not speak to him nicely. This discussion opened the floor for other residents, such as Anthony Calabrese, Judy Henry and Fran Staret, all residents of George Conway to express their disappointment with the hot water. It was brought to the Boards attention that there is also a hot water problem in the building. Chairman Jampel explained he has spoken with the Executive Director about capital needs and that he is understanding and sympathetic to these issues. Unfortunately with these older buildings, most repairs take time and that no one in the room is a Mechanical Engineer that can report exactly what the problem is with the hot water and timeline to fix. He said the Building & Grounds committee is

working on getting professional advice to address the problem. Mr. Naszimento added that the front door was repaired on Friday and that the proprietary part was ordered and installed by the door company and he apologized for the inconvenience and the length of time.

Chairman Jampel thanked all those in attendance for their input and asked for a motion to close the public input portion of the meeting. Motion to close was made by Commissioner Linkin and seconded by Commissioner Oliver.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to be brought before the Commissioners, motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Linkin and seconded by Commissioner Russell. Upon roll call, all Commissioners voted "Aye". The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Jacob C. Naszimento,

Executive Director/Secretary

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