

**Hingham Housing Authority Board Meeting  
Tuesday, February 12, 2025, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**

A Regular Meeting of the Hingham Housing Authority was duly called and held on Tuesday, February 12, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at 30 Thaxter Street, Hingham, MA and upon a call of the roll, the following Commissioners were found Present and Absent:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Janine Suchecki	
Irma Lauter	
Michelle Larned	Meghan Buhr (excused)
Ruth Bennett	

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair, Janine Suchecki

**Tenant Association**

Sue Gustafson reported on behalf of the Tenant Association that they continue have a core group that attends meetings and events. They have had a book fair, movie and pizza event. The Association asked for clarification on the balcony policy; continue to have concerns over smoking issues. Mr. Marathas reported that he is aware of the issues and we continue to work on them. Chair asked that cameras be installed for security, to be sure people are smoking away from buildings and to monitor unlawful trash dumping in the dumpsters.

**Motion to Approve the Minutes from the January 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting**

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the Amended Minutes of the January 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion to approve the Accounts Payable and Payments**

Commissioner Larned made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauter to approve the accounts payable and the payments. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suchecki to adopt the memorandum of understanding between the Hingham Housing Authority and the Quincy Housing Authority to manage and administer the Section 8 Program. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the new management fee established by new budget guidelines of EOHLC of \$106,580, with all other terms and conditions remaining in effect. The motion passed unanimously.

**Old/New Business**

No old business.

Under New Business:

Commissioner Suchecki reported that there is a social worker intern that contacted her and would like to assist the tenants at HHA. Colleen Whalen reported that she has been in contact with the intern and are working to begin a program.

### **Executive Director Report**

- Attic roof insulation was inspected for roof replacement project buildings 16 a, b and c and buildings 9 and 10
- Replaced 3 battery backboards for alarm system buildings 5, 7, & 9
- Replacement of fire extinguishers
- Scotland Street, Beal Street and Thaxter Street have been inspected and work orders completed
- Reasonable accommodation has been completed for building 6
- Vacancy turnover has begun
- K9 inspection completed
- Squirrel removed from Bldg 7
- Phase II of stove installation will begin in March
- Monthly Greater Boston Food Delivery was completed and February delivery scheduled
- APPROVAL of \$1,540,000 grant to install new high efficiency heat pumps in 667-1!!
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A brief discussion regarding the Executive Director going before the Town Select Board to have a vote and recording of the deed restriction being removed on Beal Street property. This has been voted on prior but not recorded.

There being no further business, Commissioner Larned made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauter to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen M. Whalen  
Assistant Executive Director  
Managed Agencies