

Hingham Housing Authority Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 10, 2025, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Hingham Housing Authority was duly called and held on Tuesday, June 10, 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:

Present

Janine Suchecki
Michelle (Larned) Weiser
Timothy Sullivan
Irma Lauter

Absent

Ruth Bennett (excused)

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair, Janine Suchecki

Motion to Approve the Minutes of May 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to approve the Minutes of the May 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting. The motion passed 3-0 with Commissioner Sullivan abstaining.

Motion to approve the Accounts Payable and Payments

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

Commissioner Weiser made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to write off \$15,930.72 of vacated tenant accounts receivable balances for tenants vacated over 90 days as follows: 667-1: \$15,930.72; 667-2: \$0; 705: \$0. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to appoint Commissioner Lauter to be on the Beal Street Selection Committee for the proposals for the Beal Street Development. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to cancel the July Board of Commissioners meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Egama Roofing of Framingham MA in the amount of \$63,450.00 for State Project #131083: Roof Replacement Buildings 9 and 10. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to approve and authorize the Executive Director to purchase grounds maintenance equipment in the amount of \$27,080.00 from Stewarts Power Equipment of Holbrook MA. The equipment is 1 Snowrator tractor, straight plow, snowblower and brush. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to authorize the Executive Director to submit the Higham Housing Authority's Federal 5-year Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The motion passed unanimously.

Tenant Association

Sue Gustafson reported on behalf of the Tenant Association. Sue reports things are status quo; getting good attendance at meetings. They had a "cook in" due to weather and a dinner meeting. There were no tenant complaints.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Marathas reported that:

- Patio furniture and umbrellas put out
- New filters installed on mechanical systems at Beal Street
- Roof bid walk through completed
- Weir River water repaired sink hole in main driveway
- Shower and tub glazing completed in 12-1
- Countertop templated made for units 12-2 and 13-1
- Ceiling repairs completed caused by insulation crews
- Beal land development pre bid walk through completed
- Unit 48 vacancy completed
- Unit 68 in turnover
- Mike still on medical leave
- Bid release for 100 Beal Street

Mr. Marathas discussed the questions that were asked regarding the proposal to develop Beal Street. Much discussion surrounding the question of considering lowering the age from 62 to 55 years of age. The Board is reluctant to lower the age limit. The Board collectively would like this to be strictly a senior citizen building.

Old/New Business

There was no old business. Under new business, the following:

Commissioner Sucheki announced that Ruth Bennett has been reappointed to a 5-year term by the Select Board as the Tenant Board Commissioner.

There being no further business, Commissioner Weiser 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