

**Hingham Housing Authority Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 14, at 5:00 p.m.**

A Regular Meeting of the Hingham Housing Authority was duly called and held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 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>
Michelle Weiser	
Irma Lauter	
Ruth Bennett	
Timothy Sullivan	
Janine Suchecki	

**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 things are going pretty well. They are beginning to have a pattern of events, with board games, movie nights, book club going well. Tenants Association wanted to mention the heroic storm coverage of Kevin and Mike and how well the tenants and staff worked together during the storms.

**Motion to Approve the Minutes of February 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting**

Prior to approval it was noted that Commissioner Suchecki's absence at this meeting was excused. Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the Minutes of the February 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting, as amended. The motion passed, with Commissioner Suchecki abstaining.

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

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Suchecki to nominate and appoint Commissioner Sullivan as a member of the Hingham Housing Authority to the Hingham Community Preservation Commission, effective July 1, 2026. The Board thanks Commissioner Bennett for her commitment to the CPC board. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Weiser made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve, certify and submit certification of the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) Wage Match Regulations for 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauter to accept the EPOHLC Formula Funding Award for Fiscal Year 2029 (FY29) in the amount of \$216,940.60 and authorize the Executive Director to execute the EOHLC amendment to the Contract for Financial Assistance for this award. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauter to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with EOHL House Doctor, Rogue Engineering of East Bridgewater, MA in the amount of \$12,770.00 for design services for Project #131094, Security Surveillance System. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauter to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder for State Project #131098, Beal Street Sprinkler Head Replacement. Source of funding is EOHL Formula Funding. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Weiser to approve and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Oakridge Construction of Woburn, MA in the amount of \$52,900.00 for State Project #131090: Hallway windows 667-1. Source of funding is EOHL Formula Funding. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lauter made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve and authorize the Executive Director to install 2 electric vehicle charging stations through a contract with MATCHA at no cost to the housing authority and a 50/50 profit sharing, subject to the Executive Director approving the location of the stations. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Suchecki made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve and authorize the Executive Director to accept a grant award for \$9,446.00 from EOHL for emergency reserves to cover replacement for building power supply (buildings 3 and 8, 667-1). The motion passed unanimously.

## **Executive Director Report**

Mr. Marathas reported that:

- Vacancies completed units 22, 69 and 31
- CIP revision for Beal St. sprinkler project completed, advertisement posted, bid documents completed
- Beal Street furnace serviced
- Food delivery
- Alarm testing completed for 667-2 bldgs 15 & 16, and 100 Beal Street
- Common hallway painting completed, 667-2
- All 667-2 boilers have been serviced
- Watch for cookout date to celebrate the “250<sup>th</sup> Birthday of America”
- The April 28<sup>th</sup> public meeting being held by Peabody Properties will be held at 5:30pm in the community room, a mailing was done for all abutters.

## **Old Business:**

The Board thanks the Executive Director and the staff for all that has been done at and for the housing authority.

## **New Business:**

Jon Pattavina, 30 Thaxter Street, 68, Hingham asked for clarification of the camera placement and intention. Mr. Marathas explained that the cameras will be placed to provide viewing of the dumpsters, fronts and backs of buildings and the entrance driveway and will not be intrusion of individual units.

Anita Ryan, 37 Baker Hill Drive, Hingham asked if the boring report was finished regarding the Beal Street project. The Chair referred her to Peabody Properties as the RFP for this property has been awarded to Peabody Properties.

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Next meeting will be June 9, 2026, at 5:00pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen M. Whalen  
Assistant Executive Director  
Managed Agencies