Stonington Housing Authority Regular Meeting 45 Sisk Drive May 11, 2023 Minutes Final

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 4.32 pm

ROLL CALL:

Those in attendance were Vice-Chair Julie Savin, Commissioner Beth Leamon, Commissioner Kevin Beverly, Executive Director Marcia Sullivan, Resident Commissioner Debbie Lee and Property & Service Manager Laura Davies. Chair Kate Careb was absent. The Vice-Chair Julie Savin chaired the meeting.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Lee to approve the minutes from March 09, 2023. Commissioner Beverly seconded. Minutes were approved by all four Commissioners in attendance.

READING OF THE TREASURERS REPORT: Executive Director Marcia Sullivan read the report, showing a balance of \$20,984.22 in Security Deposit Account, \$136,133.38 Berkshire Bank Checking Account, \$185,750.00 Money Market, \$9,661.78 CD, \$153,214.71 Westerly Community Credit Union, \$7.05 in Westerly Savings Account.

MAINTENANCE & ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Ron has had a lot of turnover work. We had a reasonable accommodation move and two move outs. We had no vacancies through end of April. Vacancies started May 1st.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Marcia has been working on the HTCC Application. Fire alarm panels have to be replaced. They have been ordered and 1st one was replaced in office this week.

Resolution 2023-4 read.

Resolution states that the Executive Director, Board Chair or any other Board member can pursue the funding and utilize the reserves for the HTCC grant. This is up to the amount of \$170,000. A motion was made to pass the resolution by Commissioner Savin. Commissioner Lee seconded. Motion was passed.

REPORT OF THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER:

Bingo was held every other Tuesday at 1:00pm.

Art Therapy was held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 4:30pm. A light meal was served after.

First Tuesday of the month Laura provided the meal. 3rd Tuesday of the month residents held a potluck dinner. Sign up was requested for this event.

Music Therapy: An Acoustic band Fish Outta Water performed on March 17 and April 21 at 4:00pm. The band plays a variety of jazz, rock and folk songs.

Art Therapy and Music Therapy are supported by the Senior Resources Agency on Aging with Title III funds made available under the Older Americans Act.

Birthday Celebration for residents was held on March 15 and April 26 at 1:00pm.

Crafting was held on March 23 at 1:00pm.

Community Garden meeting was held on March 29 at 1:00pm. Plants are being delivered for our raised beds the end of May. We need help planting and then watering throughout the season. This is a community garden so everyone that uses it is encouraged to pitch in if able.

EKR Food Pantry was available to residents on April 25 from 12:00-2:00pm.

April was National Fair Housing Month. On April 26, following the birthday celebration, Marcia facilitated a discussion of the history, culture, and politics surrounding the passage of the fair housing act that was informative and interesting.

Mass and Communion is held on Saturdays at 3:30pm in the Community Room. All are welcome to worship and receive communion. Father Mark Clark is a Notary if you find yourself in need of that service.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Louise Bray asked about resident surveys. Marcia explained we were still collecting them and results will be compiled and given to the board.

Megan Falcone asked for the Board members to come to the Memorial Day BBQ. Julie explained that they are not allowed to have more than two board members present at an event because of board policy.

A motion was made to adjourn at 4.53 pm by Commissioner Beverly. Commissioner Lee seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Marcia Sullivan, Executive Director, Clerk