



Housing Authority of the City of Freeport

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Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport February 16, 2017

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport was held on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the HACF Administrative Office in the Empowerment Center located at 1052 W. Galena Avenue, Freeport, Illinois at 12:00 p.m. Interim Chair Smith-Norman called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm. The following members were present in person at roll call: Interim Chair Jennifer Smith-Norman, Interim Vice-Chair Greta Harrell, Commissioner Roger Schulz, Commissioner Samuel Newton, Commissioner Don Beckington, and Commissioner Tiffany Nieman. Others present were Chief Executive Officer Larry Williams, Mayor James Gitz, and Attorney Maureen Murphy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newton to approve the agenda and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Schulz. Interim Chair Smith-Norman declared the Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment: Mayor Gitz addressed the HACF Board of Commissioners about concerns he had with some of the decisions being made by the Board.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Beckington made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purposes noted on the agenda and to have Attorney Maureen Murphy present in the Executive Session.

Discussing “The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity” as authorized by Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meeting Act, as amended [codified at 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]; And

Discussing “Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting” as authorized by Section 2(c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meeting Act, as amended [codified at 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)].

Interim Vice-Chair Harrell seconded the motion. Roll call vote to enter into Executive Session for the reason stated on the agenda was held as follows:

Smith-Norman	Aye	Newton	Aye	Beckington	Aye
Harrell	Aye	Schulz	Aye	Nieman	Aye

Interim Chair Smith-Norman declared the motion passed. Executive Session started at 12:17 pm. Mr. Larry Williams left the meeting.

At 1:24 pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Schulz to adjourn Executive Session and resume open session. Interim Chair Smith-Norman seconded the motion. Roll call to resume open session was held as follows:

Smith-Norman	Aye	Newton	Aye	Beckington	Aye
Harrell	Aye	Schulz	Aye	Nieman	Aye

Interim Chair Smith-Norman declared the motion passed.

Open Session resumed at 1:25 pm.

Employment Agreement

Commissioner Newton made a motion that was not stated in a final form and then was withdrawn. No further action was taken.

Public Comment: None

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz and seconded by Commissioner Newton to adjourn the meeting. Interim Chair Smith-Norman declared the motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 1:27 pm.



Jennifer Smith-Norman
Interim Chair of the Board of Commissioners
of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport

ATTEST:



Larry Williams, Chief Executive Officer
Ex Officio Secretary of Board of Commissioners
of the Housing Authority of the City of Freeport