

**QUINCY HOUSING AUTHORITY
80 CLAY STREET, QUINCY, MA 02170
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING, MAY 20, 2020 5:00 P.M.**

A Regular Meeting of the Quincy Housing Authority was duly called and held on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 via gotomeeting.com / teleconference and upon a call of the roll the following Officers were found present and absent:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Scott Campbell	None
Brian Clifford	
Mary Ann Morris	
Josephine Shea	
Michael Flaherty	

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of the April 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

Commissioner Campbell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shea, to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Harborview Residents' Committee, Inc.

There was no one present wishing to speak this evening.

Residents' Council for Elderly/Disabled Residents of the QHA

There was no one present wishing to speak this evening.

Mod/Maintenance

Commissioner Morris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Systems Contracting, Inc. for the Video Surveillance System at Sawyer Towers 667-3. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Campbell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford, to approve the Certificate of Final Completion for Systems Contracting, Inc. for the Video Surveillance System at Sawyer Towers 667-3. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Shea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford, to approve the Final Payment to Systems Contracting, Inc. for the Video Surveillance System at Sawyer Towers 667-3. The payment is in the amount of \$8,059.79. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Campbell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford, to approve the Final Payment to Paqcon Corp. for the Jean Kennedy Playground Improvements. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Shea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford, to approve the trade-in of the Ford F-150 pick-up truck and the purchase a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe through the Government Purchase Program. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Morris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shea, to approve the purchase of a Ford Transit Van converted into a transportation bus with a handicapped lift through the Government Purchase Program. The CARES Act will provide the funding for this vehicle. The motion passed unanimously.

Finance

Commissioner Campbell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shea, to adopt all waivers Commissioner Shea made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clifford as presented retroactively to March 27, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Marathas reported on the following:

- Maintenance has been working on landscaping on all of the Authority properties.
- The planning Board approved the Leo Kelly Landing Road next to our O'Brien Towers complex.
- Judy Morris has been working hard on food donations and meal deliveries for our elderly and disabled tenants.
- A grant was received to obtain transportation for our elderly/disabled populations to doctors' appointments and essential errands.
- Flyers are continuing to be distributed to our residents educating them on Covid 19.
- A hearing was held with an electrician and he has opted for retirement.

- AFSCME has agreed to a 2% salary increase effective July 1, 2020.
- A Resident Family Coordinator has been hired and will be starting on June 8th. This position will help our Family Residents with services that they may need.

Mr. Marathas explained that we will need a vote to approve and authorize the transmittal to DHCD the application for a state family FSS Coordinator position. This position was created by DHCD to mirror the HUD FSS program, in which families will set goals, and work with the Coordinator to increase earned income, enhance skills and increase savings.

This is a three year program, with the option to continue for two additional years. As earned income increases, the applicant will earn an escrow, which if they meet their goals, they will be able to access.

Commissioner Clifford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize the transmittal to DHCD the application a State family FSS Coordinator position. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chair opened the meeting up to members of the public.

Maureen Smith from Pagnano Towers asked to speak and thanked James Marathas for all of the sanitizing efforts of the maintenance department and attributed this to there being no cases at Pagnano Towers. Ms. Smith also conveyed to Mr. Marathas and the Board that the residents are extremely grateful for the masks that Mr. Marathas provided to each of the residents.

There being no further business, Commissioner Clifford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shea, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.