

The Board of Commissioners of the South Pittsburg Housing Authority met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at the office of the South Pittsburg Housing Authority.

Chairman Mary Faye Payne chaired the Board and called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Mary Faye Payne, Chairman
Shannon Duggar; Vice Chairman
Delorah Starkey, Commissioner
Lamar Jenkins, Commissioner
Jimmy Haley, Commissioner (absent)

Also present was Executive Director, Lisa Cross, PHM Jessica Kelley and Attorney Sarah Willis.

The Chairman declared a quorum present and the meeting was open for business.

Vice Chairman Shannon Duggar made a motion to approve the board agenda for the January 18, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lamar Jenkins. All were in favor of approving the board agenda and the motion carried.

Commissioner Lamar Jenkins made a motion to approve the November 2021 meeting minutes. The motion for the approval of the November meeting minutes was seconded by Commissioner Delorah Starkey. All were in favor of approving the November 2021 regularly scheduled meeting minutes and the motion carried.

Commissioner Lamar Jenkins made a motion to approve the November 2021 financials. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Shannon Duggar. All were in favor of approving the November 2021 financials and the motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

The item under unfinished business was the signing of the Voluntary Compliance Agreement by HUD for their Reasonable Accommodation Request. After changes were made to accommodate the requests for change to the VCA by HUD, Chairman Mary Faye Payne made a motion to sign and accept the terms of the VCA. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Shannon Duggar. All were in favor of executing the agreement and the motion was so ordered.

New Business:

There was no new business to be discussed in the January meeting.

Commission Reports, Comments, Questions:

Lisa Cross asked the SPHA Attorney to give the Board an update regarding the Cooperative Agreement with the City of South Pittsburg. Mrs. Willis stated that she had been in contact with the City’s Attorney and he is presenting the maps, with the four changes requested, to the City Commission for their approval. Chairman Payne stated she would reach out to the Mayor and Attorney Willis is going to follow up with the City’s Attorney and see if we can get this agreement completed and behind us.

Lisa Cross stated that she was rebidding interior renovation work to be completed at Chester Powell due to the bids being much higher than the original cost estimate. She stated that the work is being rebid with less units to be completed than the original bid and with some additional work to be completed in those units to make the units better. The next bid opening is scheduled for February 3rd.

Commissioner Starkey inquired about the parking passes and how those are going. Director Cross stated that they were not going as well as planned. She stated that she hopes that since the SPPD had requested the parking passes be done to help control the parking throughout the developments, she will be able to get the SPPD to help assist in getting more residents to participate. We discussed several options and it was determined that our next step needed to be to reach out to the police department and see if they would help encourage residents, possibly via warnings, to get their parking passes.

Lastly, there was a discussion regarding the Demolition/Disposition on two sets of units. Before we are able to determine exactly what is required from HUD for those, Lisa Cross stated that she would read into the process/requirements for each. Also, Director Cross also stated that she met with the South Pittsburg Rotaract Club and they are planning to build a raised Community Garden in the SCAC vacant lot for the Community to enjoy, especially our Elderly at Chester Powell.

Adjournment:

The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday; February 22, 2022 due to Monday; February 21, 2022 being on a holiday. After no further business to be brought before the board, Vice Chairman Shannon Duggar made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lamar Jenkins. All were in favor and we stand adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved by:

Secretary

Chairman