Lake County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Minutes of the Annual Meeting June 26, 2023

The Annual Board Meeting of the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois, was held June 26, 2023, at the Illinois Beach Hotel, 100 Lakefront Drive, Zion, IL 60099.

Present: (Physically present unless noted otherwise)

Dr. H. Lee Jordan, Jr., Chairman Kevin Considine, Vice Chairman LaShaundra Barnes, Commissioner John Idleburg, Commissioner Susan Malter, Commissioner Beverly Mull, Commissioner

Absent: Dr. Charles Nozicka, Commissioner

LCHA Staff: Lorraine Hocker, Executive Director/CEO

Ofelia Navarro, Deputy Director Damien Kelly, Chief Financial Officer Michelle Perkins, Operations Deputy Valerie Rogers, Executive Secretary

Katrina Gofron-Ellison, Executive Assistant

Posting of the notice of this rescheduled meeting and agenda complied with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2.02(a)). The notice and agenda were posted prior to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at the meeting location listed above, at the principal office: 33928 North US Highway 45, Grayslake, IL 60030 and on the Agency's website, www.lakecountyha.org.

ROLL CALL

Noting that a quorum of Commissioners was present, Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Roll call was taken, and the following Commissioners were present: Barnes, Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Absent: Nozicka.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were accepted by email at publiccomment@lakecountyha.org or by leaving a voice message at (847) 223-1170 ext. 2320. Comments received by 9:00 a.m. June 26, 2023, are to be read at the appropriate time in the agenda. No public comments were received. Chair Jordan opened the floor for public comment. No one requested to be heard.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of Officers – Chair Election of Officers – Vice Chair After discussion, Commissioner Malter moved, seconded by Commissioner Idleburg for the officers to remain the same: Commissioner Dr. Jordan as Chair and Commissioner Considine as Vice Chair. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Not Voting: Barnes. Motion Carries.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

Commissioner Malter moved, seconded by Commissioner Idleburg for Lorraine Hocker to be appointed Secretary-Treasurer which office runs coterminous with her employment as Executive Director/CEO with the Lake County Housing Authority. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Not Voting: Barnes. Motion Carries.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Commissioner Malter moved, seconded by Vice Chair Considine, to adjourn the Annual Meeting. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Kevin Considine
Vice Chair
Board of Commissioners
Lake County Housing Authority

Lorraine Hocker, Executive Director/CEO

Secretary/Treasurer

Lake County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Minutes of the Regular Meeting June 26, 2023

The Regular Board Meeting of the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake was held June 26, 2023, at the Illinois Beach Hotel, 100 Lakefront Drive, Zion, IL 60099.

Present: (Physically present unless noted otherwise)

Dr. H. Lee Jordan, Jr., Chairman Kevin Considine, Vice Chairman LaShaundra Barnes, Commissioner John Idleburg, Commissioner Susan Malter, Commissioner Beverly Mull, Commissioner

Absent: Dr. Charles Nozicka, Commissioner

LCHA Staff: Lorraine Hocker, Executive Director/CEO

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ROLL CALL

Noting that a quorum of Commissioners was present, Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Roll call was taken, and the following Commissioners were present: Barnes, Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Absent: Nozicka.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were accepted by email at publiccomment@lakecountyha.org or by leaving a voice message at (847) 223-1170 ext. 2320. Comments received by 9:00 a.m. June 26, 2023, are to be read at the appropriate time in the agenda. No public comments were received.

Chair Jordan opened the floor for public comment. There were no public comments.

MINUTES – 4/20/23 REGULAR MEETING

Vice Chair Considine moved, seconded by Commissioner Idleburg, to approve the Minutes of the April 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Mull, Jordan. Abstain: Malter. Nays: None. Ineligible to Vote: Barnes. Motion Carries.

FINANCE REPORT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

The list of bills for April and May 2023 was provided. Contracting CFO Damien Kelly relayed the following summary for May 2023 actuals:

- HCV is showing a negative net loss of \$850k because we're not allowed to have too much restricted net position per HUD. The restricted portion are the HAP funds we receive from HUD and the amount that we pay for HAP expenses to our section 8 tenants. When HUD reviewed last year's net position, they saw that we had too much money and therefore reduced the amount of money we received this May. However, Damien wants to redo the past year's VMS because he believes the money shouldn't have been pulled back from HUD.
- The good news is that we have plenty of money to cover our expenses. Damien will update at the next meeting about how the meeting with HUD went regarding recouping the money from HUD reserve.
- AMP 2 funding fluctuates because we pay the water bills quarterly, but we will start accruing monthly to compensate for that so that it balances out each month rather than fluctuations creating good months and bad months.
- AMPs 3, 4, and 5 are doing well.
- Public housing in total had a net income of approximately \$38,000.
- Admin and operating costs has not fluctuated much.
- Housing Counseling LCRA did some more payments to residents; more than they have in the prior month.
- COCC net income of \$43,000; due to staffing costs that we didn't have this month.
- Overall, forecasts are in good shape, with the HUD reserve recovered we will be back to where we were with our original budget forecast.

After discussion, Commissioner Considine moved, seconded by Commissioner Mull to approve the list of bills as presented. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Nays: None. Ineligible to Vote: Barnes. Motion Carries.

REPORTS

The following reports for May 2023 were provided. See Department Reports for the Exhibits.

Maintenance, Procurement	Brian Snook, Director of Public Housing Norma Carlon, Manager of Capital Improvements & Procurement (Exhibit 01)
Public Housing	Brian Snook, Director of Public Housing (Exhibit 02)
Property Disposition	Derek Eovaldi, Property Disposition Coordinator (Exhibit 03)

Housing Choice Voucher, PBV ¹ , Portability & Collections	Elena Albarran, HCV Program Manager (Exhibit 04)
FSS ² Mainstream Vouchers & FUP ³	Heidi Semenek, Director of FSS & Special Pgms (Exhibit 05)
	Elizabeth Werning, Manager of Housing Counseling Ofelia Navarro, Deputy Director (Exhibit 06)
Information Technology	Michelle Perkins, Operations Deputy (Exhibit 07)
FOIA/OMA ⁴ , Travel-Training	Katrina Gofron-Ellison, Executive Assistant/FOIA & OMA Officer (Exhibit 08)

Other Matters

- 1. LCHA's Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) score report and designation for our public housing agency (PHA) has been issued for FY 2022. (See Exhibit 09)
- 2. Congratulations to Commissioner Dr. Nozicka for reappointment by the County Board to the LCHA Board of Commissioners for another term ending on April 16, 2028. We appreciate your continued commitment and service to LCHA. (See Exhibit 10)
- 3. Welcome to Ms. LaShaundra Barnes, Resident Commissioner who was appointed by the County Board on June 13th to the LCHA Board of Commissioners. Appointment will be official once the County Clerk files a certified copy of the resolution with the Recorder of Deeds. (See Exhibit 11)
- 4. Executive Director/CEO, Lorraine Hocker, participated in the Governor's Office interagency meeting on Monday, May 15 to provide feedback to the public housing working group on landlord incentives as the state works to integrate public housing into its interagency strategies.
- 5. Michelle "Shelly" Perkins, Operations Deputy, and Executive Director/CEO, Lorraine Hocker, met with YouthBuild regarding our IGA /Partnership for the exciting opportunity between LCHA and YouthBuild Lake County (YBLC) through the Department of Labor.
- 6. Brian Snook, Director of Public Housing, Elena Lara, Landlord Liaison, and Executive Director/CEO, Lorraine Hocker, represented LCHA at the YBLC's second annual Career Expo on June 9 in North Chicago.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 2023-37 Approval of Travel/Training Expenses for Executive Director

¹ Project-Based Vouchers

² Family Self-Sufficiency Program

³ Family Unification Program

⁴ Freedom of Information Act. Open Meetings Act.

and/or Commissioners

- Lorraine Hocker, Executive Director/CEO 4/10/23-4/12/23 MTW 2023 Collaborative Conference by Nan McKay & Associates, Washington, DC
- 2. John Idleburg, Commissioner 4/18/23 4/21/23 Nelrod 2023 Annual Conference by The Nelrod Company, Las Vegas, NV
- 3. Lorraine Hocker, Executive Director/CEO 5/16/23 5/18/23 Procurement and Contracts Management Seminar, San Antonio, TX

Pursuant to Public Act 099-0604, The Local Government Travel Expense Control Act, Commissioners, and the Executive Director/CEO must submit a Travel Authorization Form or an Expense Report Form to the Board for approval by a roll call vote at an open meeting.

After discussion, Commissioner Malter introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2023-37

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REPORT EXPENSES FOR COMMISSIONERS AND/OR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly enacted Public Act 99-0604, known as the "Local Government Travel Expense Control Act", which Act becomes effective on January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, non-home rule units of local government are required to establish regulations with respect to allowable travel, meal and lodging expenses; and

WHEREAS, on 2/16/17 By Resolution 2017-54 the Board approved the policy governing the combined travel, meal, and lodging expenses for any one travel event, incurred by its employees and officers to be effective 3/2/17; and

WHEREAS, expenses for travel, meals and lodging of the Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer and any member of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Housing Authority may only be approved by roll call vote at an open meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Housing Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake hereby grants approval of the Expense Reports as attached here for a member of the Board of Commissioners and/or for the Executive Director.

After discussion Commissioner Malter moved, seconded by Commissioner Considine to adopt Resolution 2023-37.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: None Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

B. Resolution 2023-38 Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Between Lake County Housing Authority & Lake County Workforce Development/Job Center of Lake County

After discussion, Commissioner Mull introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2023 - 38

APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LAKE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY & LAKE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT/JOB CENTER OF LAKE COUNTY

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2014, President Obama signed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA); and

WHEREAS, WIOA provides resources, services and leadership tools for the workforce system that improves employer engagement and competitiveness for success in the global marketplace by helping individuals find good jobs, retain employment and advance job-related skill sets; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has been designated as a local workforce development area by the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires Lake County to develop and submit workforce compliance plans in order for Lake County to receive WIOA Formula funding; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding, in cooperation with its partners, establishes a collaborative framework encouraging cooperation, collaboration, communication, policy and technical guidance and governance to assist with the efficient and effective participation in the WIOA implementation in Lake County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Lake County and the Lake County Workforce Development Board have reviewed and approved the Job Center of Lake County Memorandum of Understanding; and

WHEREAS, Lake County Housing Authority's Family Self Sufficiency Program is a voluntary program for participants who wish to improve their financial situation emphasizing employment as well as education and training; and

WHEREAS, Lake County Housing Authority has had an ongoing partnership with Lake County Workforce Development/Job Center of Lake County for several years and wishes to continue to partner this Memorandum of Understanding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of LCHA hereby approves the Executive Director and/or her designee to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between Lake County Housing Authority and Lake County Workforce Development/Job Center of Lake County in substantially the form attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

After discussion Commissioner Mull moved, seconded by Commissioner Malter to adopt Resolution 2023-38.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: Considine Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

C. Resolution 2023-39 Approval of and Authorization to Submit PHA Annual Plan FY 2024

After discussion, Commissioner Considine introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2023-39

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2024 ANNUAL PHA PLAN

WHEREAS, the United Stated Housing Act of 1937 as amended by Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (QHWRA) created the requirement for submission of 5-Year and Annual PHA Plans by all PHAs administering the Public Housing and/or Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) programs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 24 CFR 903, the Housing Authority of the County of Lake (LCHA) is required to submit a PHA Annual Plan; and

WHEREAS, LCHA has been determined to be a *Standard Performing PHA* under the Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) and Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) as of the last annual assessment of the PHA before the submission of the Five-Year or Annual Plans and therefore required to submit an Standard Performing Annual Plan; and

WHEREAS, the attached FY 2024 Annual PHA Plan has been drafted in consultation with the Authority's Resident Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the requisite public notices and hearings have been given and held; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer has prepared said plans as attached, and requests that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake approve and authorize submission to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake Approves and Authorizes the Submission of the PHA FY 2024 Annual Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman is authorized and directed to sign the PHA Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulation Board Resolution to accompany the PHA Plan.

After discussion Commissioner Considine moved, seconded by Commissioner Malter to adopt Resolution 2023-39.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: None Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

D. Resolution 2023-43 Approval and Authorization to Submit the Capital Fund Program (CFP) 5-Year Action Plan (2022-2026) and the Capital Fund Program (CFP) FY 2023 Budget

RESOLUTION 2023-43

APPROVAL OF AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM (CFP) 5-YEAR ACTION PLAN (2022-2026) AND THE CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM (CFP) FY 2023 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Capital Fund Annual Submission was decoupled from the PHA Plan submission in 24 CFR part 905 which was published on October 24, 2013 and became effective on November 25, 2013; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 24 CFR 905, the Housing Authority of the County of Lake (LCHA) is required to submit a Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan and a Capital Fund Program FY 2023 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the County of Lake has prepared its Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan for Federal Fiscal Years (FFs) 2022-2026 describing capital improvements needed to ensure long-term viability of the Agency's public housing developments; and

WHEREAS, in FY 2023, all PHAs are required to submit their Capital Fund Program (CFP) 5-Year Action Plans and Budgets within HUD's Energy and Performance Information Center (EPIC) system; the electronic CFP submission process replaced the paper submission process that was retired at the end of 2017; and

WHEREAS, PHAs are required to have on file a copy of a Board Resolution approving the PHA's CFP 5-Year Action Plan, including ones submitted in the EPIC system; and

WHEREAS, the requisite public notices have been given; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Asset Management in conjunction with the Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer has prepared said plans as attached, and requests that the Board of Commissioners of

the Housing Authority of the County of Lake approve and authorize submission to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake Approves and Authorizes the Submission of The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan (2022-2026) and the Capital Fund Program FY 2023 Budget to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as presented.

After discussion Commissioner Malter moved, seconded by Commissioner Mall to adopt Resolution 2023-39.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: None Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

E. Resolution 2023-40 Authorization to Destroy Executive Session Audio Recordings Prior To January 1, 2022

After discussion, Commissioner Considine introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-40

AUTHORIZATION TO DESTROY EXECUTIVE SESSION AUDIO RECORDINGS PRIOR TO 1/1/2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act provides for Executive Sessions from time to time; and

WHEREAS, per 5 ILCS 120 Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06 (a), a verbatim audio or video recording is required for all closed sessions; and

WHEREAS, per 5 ILCS 120 Open Meetings Act, Section 2.06 (c) the verbatim record may be destroyed without notification to or the approval of a records commission or the State Archivist under the Local Records Act or the State Records Act; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Session Audio Recordings prior to January 1, 2022 have been retained for at least 18 months after the making of the recording; and

WHEREAS, the written Minutes of the Executive Sessions prior to January 1, 2022 have been approved by a majority of a quorum of the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution signifies the authorization of destruction by the entity which held the meeting; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been voted upon in an open, public forum;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all Executive Session Audio Verbatim Recordings prior to January 1, 2022 will be erased or destroyed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners will review qualifying Executive Session Audio Recordings moving forward on a semi-annual basis.

After discussion Commissioner Considine moved, seconded by Commissioner Malter to adopt Resolution 2023-34.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: None Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

F. Resolution 2023-41 Semi-Annual Review of Executive Session Minutes

After discussion, Commissioner Considine introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-41

SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act provides for Executive Sessions from time to time; and

WHEREAS, as per the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/s.06(d) each public body shall periodically meet to review minutes of all closed meetings; and

WHEREAS, as per the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/s.06(d) meetings to review minutes shall occur every six (6) months, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, taking into account the nature and meeting schedule of the public body; and

WHEREAS, a periodic review of Executive Session Minutes is to determine whether or not such Minutes may be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has reviewed Executive Session Minutes from the Executive Session held on:

January 19, 2023.....Litigation & Semi-annual Review of Executive Session Minutes

February 16, 2023.....Litigation & Personnel Matters

March 20, 2023.....Litigation & Personnel Matters

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that since all (3) sessions were devoted to Closed Session Minutes, Personnel Matters, or Litigation all sessions are determined not to be available for public inspection.

After discussion Commissioner Considine moved, seconded by Commissioner Malter to adopt Resolution 2023-41.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan

Nays: None Absent: Nozicka Abstain: None Motion: Carries

Adopted and passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Lake, Illinois on June 26, 2023.

G. Resolution 2023-42 Accepting the Final Audit of LCHA For Fiscal Year 2022

This agenda item was tabled for now and will be revisited at a later date.

H. Commissioner Roundtable – Discussion

Commissioner Mull expressed her appreciation for meeting in person.

I. Executive Session – Litigation and Personnel Matters

(5 ILCS 120/1) Sec. 2(c)(11)

Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court...or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.

(5 ILCS 120/2) Sec. 2(c)(1)

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

Commissioner Idleburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Mull to go into Executive Session to discuss (5 ILCS 120/1) Sec. 2(c)(11) Litigation and (5 ILCS 120/1) Sec. 2(c)(1) Personnel Matters. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Nays: None. Absent and Not Voting: Nozicka. Ineligible to Vote: Barnes. Motion Carries.

The board returned to open session at 12:10 p.m. and roll call was taken. Present: Barnes, Considine, Idleburg, Multer, Mull, Jordan. Absent: Nozicka.

Chair Dr. Jordan stated the Board discussed Litigation and Personnel Matters. No action was taken during the Executive Session. Chair Jordan moved to recess the meeting for lunch at 12:11 p.m. All Commissioners were in favor and the group will continue meeting once the time for the recess is complete.

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The board returned from recess at 1:05 p.m. to begin discuss of Commissioner Fundamentals training presented by NAHRO. Roll call was taken. Present: Barnes, Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Absent: Nozicka.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Idleburg moved, seconded by Commissioner Mull to adjourn the meeting. The Board voted as follows: Ayes: Considine, Idleburg, Malter, Mull, Jordan. Nays: None. Absent and Not Voting: Nozicka. Motion Carries. The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Kevin Considine
Vice Chair
Board of Commissioners
Lake County Housing Authority

Lorraine Hocker Executive Director/CEO Secretary