

EAST HAMPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY
 Chatham Acres
 1 Governor Bill O'Neill Drive
 East Hampton, CT 06424

A meeting was held on May 16, 2018 at Chatham Acres. The meeting opened at 6pm. Members present were Thomas Denman, Ann McLaughlin, Richard Sheehan, Linda Brogan, Linda Nadeau and Judie Bobbi.

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the Minutes of April 18th by Ms. Brogan. Mr. Sheehan seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Public Comment:

Three residents from Bellwood attended with concerns in the laundry room with odors and some residents who may use the bathroom in the community room not leaving it clean. Ms. Nadeau mentioned her concern with her refrigerator freezer. Ms. Bobbi noted she may have built up ice behind the fan in her freezer and to try to remove freezer items to a cooler and possibly use a hair dryer on the rear of freezer to see if that takes care of problem. Ms. Bobbi will mention it to Dion to see if he can help. Ms. Nadeau mentioned low water pressure in sink after flushing the toilet but after bowl shuts off, the pressure is there. This does not mean there is something wrong but maybe demand in one of the other 3 units at the same time.

A resident from Chatham requested permission to put a shed out back of her unit that has a skylight in order to be able to do art work. The shed is vinyl and can be dismantled by her if necessary. A motion was made by Ms. Brogan to allow. Mr. Sheehan seconded. Vote was 3 yes with Ms. McLaughlin opposed. The Chairman recommended our policy for outside items to be revisited at the July meeting.

Bills and Communication:

Ms. Bobbi transferred \$3000 from the checking account to the regular savings at Citizens Bank.

Lenard Engineering sent the Preliminary Plans for the Bellwood sidewalk replacement for review. Board members asked Ms. Bobbi to ask about moving the location of a ramp and other information needed for the project. Ms. Bobbi will check with CHFA regarding the ability to use some reserve funds and if approved what may be needed when we go out to bid.

Cash Report:

The April bank reconciliation was presented and after review it will be filed for audit.

Old Business and New Business:

Auditor finished his field work and we are now waiting for the Draft Report for 2017.

The Chairman opened a discussion on a councilor's question brought up at a Town Council meeting for Wi-Fi service at the senior housing sites. Ms. Bobbi stated that for the last several years the community buildings at Bellwood Court and Chatham Acres have Wi-Fi available if a resident wants to bring their laptop to the building to use anytime. We have also requested information from our sales rep at Comcast a week ago but have not had a reply. Ms. Bobbi mentioned we inquired in the past whether it was feasible to expand our Wi-Fi on the site and were told at that time we would need several antennas placed and it would diminish the signal for the housing office especially if people left their devices on and the cost was not something the housing authority could justify. Ms. Bobbi noted there is now a Senior Pilot Program through Comcast in Connecticut for an individual to have their own modem with Wi-Fi which is affordable at the cost of \$9.95 a month plus taxes and it is the responsibility for that person who wishes to have internet to submit the application. We have 3 residents at this time at Bellwood Court who took it upon themselves to apply and are in the program and now enjoying internet. We are waiting for Comcast to register Chatham Acres property for a resident who requested us to help her for the same program.

The Annual Meeting/ June Banquet will be held on June 20th at Loco Pero at 5:30pm.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:05pm to hold nominations of officers for 2018/19.

A motion was made to continue with the current slate and nominate Richard Sheehan for Vice Chairman by Ms. McLaughlin. Ms. Brogan seconded. The following nominations were approved:

Chairman..... Thomas Denman

Vice Chairman..... Richard Sheehan

Treasurer..... Ann McLaughlin

Secretary..... Linda Nadeau

Nominations were closed and the Board opened the regular meeting at 7:13pm.

Vacancy: We currently have one vacancy for May and expect one more for June.

RSC: No report

Tenant Commissioner: No report

A motion was made by Ms. McLaughlin to adjourn at 7:50pm. Mr. Sheehan seconded.

Respectfully submitted by Judie Bobbi, recording secretary

CC: Board Members, Town Manager, Town Clerk, Town Council