

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE GROVELAND HOUSING AUTHORITY
HELD ON May 31, 2022**

The Commissioners of the Groveland Housing Authority (GHA) met in a regular meeting in a conference call format using the GoToMeeting application. This was in response to the resurgence of the Covid-19 virus and its variants. Chairperson Prunier called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M., Ms. Gorski made the first motion and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. All were in favor to start and called the roll with the following responses:

Present

Kathleen Prunier
Inger Burke
Kimberly Jackson
Elizabeth Gorski

Absent

Elaine Davey

Also present at the meeting were the Managing Director, Clara Ruiz Vargas, Dan Dellea, Bruce Moody, and Maggie Bourdon.

Review and Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of April 13, 2022

Ms. Gorski motioned to approve the meeting minutes of April 13, 2022, with a second from Ms. Prunier. With minimal discussion, after a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approval of Accounts Payable for April 2022

Mr. Dellea and Mr. Moody answered questions from the board about specific line items in the report. Ms. Gorski motioned to approve the Accounts Payable for April 2022 and received a second motion from Ms. Prunier. All were in favor.

Review of Work Orders for April 2022

The board members tried to notice if there were any reoccurring work order problems in the month of April. Mr. Dellea explained that the key issues seen on the work orders are separate incidences, and are not a part of a systemic key issue. No vote was necessary.

Review of the Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) Inspection FY22

Mr. Dellea and Ms. Ruiz Vargas explained the assessment report to the board members. The Groveland Housing Authority scored an 81 on the report, five points higher than the previous report. A lot of points were taken off due to the condition of the unit doors, and Ms. Ruiz Vargas and Mr. Dellea noted that a future project will be to replace these doors, and subsequently the assessment score would likely go up significantly. No vote was necessary.

Review of MassNahro FY2023 State Operating Subsidy

Ms. Ruiz Vargas explained to board members that there is a \$92M operating subsidy and a \$5M service coordinator allocation in the state budget from the House Ways and Means Committee. The final budget has not yet been approved and will be released in late May. No vote was necessary.

Report of the Managing Director

Ms. Ruiz Vargas informed the board of a Booster Clinic held at the River Pines Community Room on May 11 along with the Greater Lawrence Family Health Center. She reported that she is planning to meet with the Executive Director of Malden Housing Authority, to go over GHA capital funds plans and discuss Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD). She also reported that ARPA funding numbers should be given by DHCD soon.

Comment Period for Commissioners and Public

Ms. Prunier asked the other board members and the staff present if they should possibly add a vote considering Juneteenth as a paid holiday for GHA employees. Although it was not on the schedule, the other board members discussed the matter and agreed to take a vote on the holiday. A motion was made by Ms. Gorski to approve Juneteenth as a holiday for GHA employees, and Ms. Burke seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Prunier also requested to add to the agenda a section that is titled "Items that were not anticipated- votes may be taken."

Adjournment

Ms. Gorski made a motion to adjourn at 5:23 pm and Mr. Jackson seconded this motion. All were in favor and the meeting ended.