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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE GROVELAND HOUSING AUTHORITY
HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, 2020**

The Commissioners of the Groveland Housing Authority (GHA) met in regular meeting in a conference call on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 4:30 P.M. The conference call format was arranged through the GoToMeeting internet application and is being used due to the state of emergency per Governor Baker's guidance. Chairperson Prunier called the meeting to order at 4:34 P.M. and called the roll with the following responses:

| <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| Kathleen Prunier | None |
| Elizabeth Gorski | |
| Kimberly Jackson | |
| Elaine Davey | |
| Inger Burke | |

Also present at the meeting were Joseph A. Hart, Managing Director, Clara Ruiz Vargas and one member of the public.

Review and Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of October 15, 2020

The board reviewed the minutes of the meeting of October 15th. Ms. Gorski asked that the minutes be corrected in the comment period section. She stated she and others recommended several options for creating more affordable housing and asked that the record reflect that. Ms. Gorski informed the board that she would be attending the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) meeting on December 3rd and would push for more funding for affordable housing. Ms. Prunier added that many possibilities exist for expanding affordable housing such as looking for foreclosures, converting single-family homes into duplexes and other strategies that did not require huge amounts of development money. Mr. Hart stated he would make the correction. Ms. Davey then made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction and received a second from Ms. Gorski. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Review and Approval of Accounts Payable for October 2020

The board reviewed the accounts payable report for October. Mr. Jackson asked about several payments including the fee accounting firm, Gordon Griffen, the health insurance through the GIC and Kaknes Entrsie3s, the gas station on the other side of the bridge. Ms. Gorski mentioned the timecards purchase from Staples. Mr. Jackson also inquired about the Covid supplies from W.B. Mason. Mr. Hart informed him that we had received some special funding for dealing with the effects of the pandemic. There being no further discussion, Ms. Gorski made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable for October. She was seconded by Ms. Prunier and upon a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Review and approval of Work Orders

The board reviewed the work orders. Ms. Prunier wondered about the stove calls from unit 205. Mr. Hart promised to look into it. No approval was necessary for this report.

Election of Officers

Ms. Gorski stated she would like to nominate Ms. Prunier to continue as Chairwoman and Ms. Davey agreed. Ms. Prunier recommended the board continue with the same officers. Ms. Gorski agreed and

made a motion to continue with the same slate of officers. Ms. Davey seconded and upon a roll call vote, the measure passed with four votes in favor and one abstention from Mr. Jackson.

Report of the Executive Director

Mr. Hart gave a brief report on the duct cleaning at River Pines and the house on Cannon Hill Road Extension . He mentioned the progress or lack thereof of the sidewalk improvement project, the vacancy at River Pines and announced the new state appointee as of October 20th, Kimberly Jackson of Park Street. Mr. Jackson said he is glad to be aboard. He started in the trades as a carpenter and went all the way to superintendent on construction jobs including residential, nuclear and pharmaceutical buildings.

Comment Period for Commissioners and Public

There was more discussion of the upcoming CPC meeting with Ms. Gorski informing the board that the committee will be hearing proposals.

Ms. Prunier asked if we had enough temporary help for shoveling out after snowstorms. Mr. Hart stated he would look into it.

Leeah Crane, a member of the public, asked if the minutes could be dropped off at the River Pines Community Room Resident Council Drop Box. Mr. Hart said he would try to accommodate her.

Ms. Gorski asked how long the wait list is for River Pines and Ms. Ruiz Vargas answered her that it is about three years.

Adjournment

Ms. Davey made a motion to adjourn at 5:31 P.M. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.